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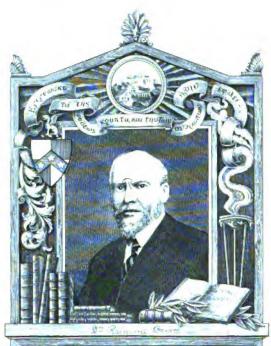
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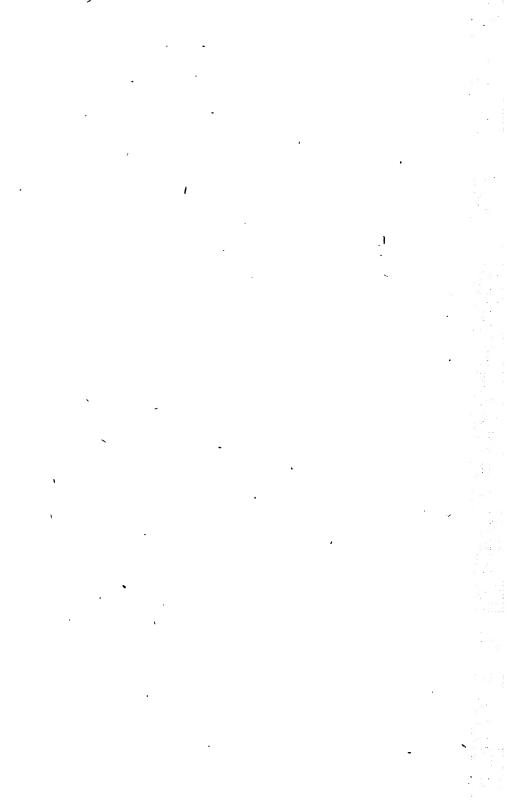
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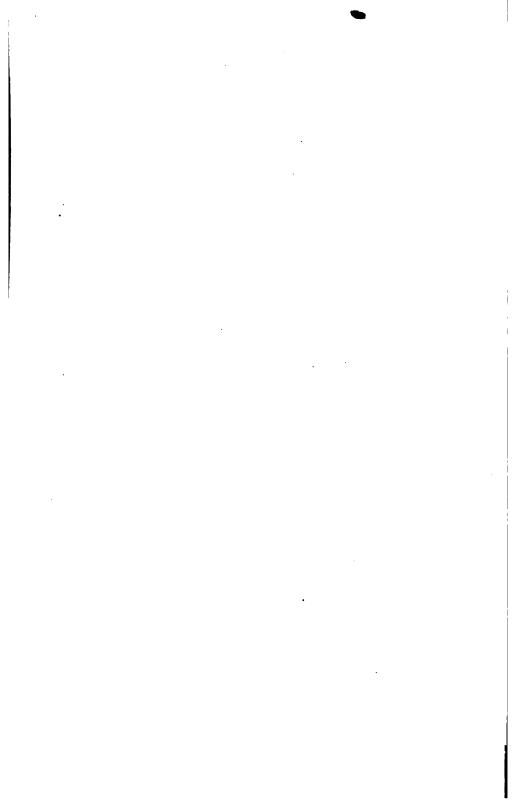
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#### SONGS OF PHI DELTA THETA.

It was in August, 1886, that the last edition of our song book was issued. In 1889 the last of the edition in the hands of the editors, was exhausted. Since then there has been no source from which to supply the occasional demand that has come for the book from the various chapters. With the change of two college generations since the time of publication, many of the chapters that were once well provided with the book, find themselves with few or no copies, these having gone out with the purchasers who had secured the copies individually. Since the edition was exhausted, the Amherst, Brown, Tulane, Washington and Leland Stanford chapters have come into being, and none of these have ever been able to get a satisfactory supply.

It is the firm belief of The Scroll that our Phi songs should form a part of every meeting of every chapter. In order to make this possible some kind of a reprint had to be made. The following songs, with the exception of some four or five copied from recent numbers of The Scroll, are from the last regular edition of the song book. Only those from familiar airs are included. The list of necessity omits some good songs, especially among those set to original music. We trust that the supply, one book for every active member, will relieve the absence of Phi songs in chapters hitherto without books, and that it will stimulate the musical sense in the Fraternity, so that new songs will be forthcoming, and this in turn will create the demand for a new and regular edition of the song book.

THE EDITOR.

#### SONGS OF PHI DELTA THETA.

AIR-" Lauriger Horatius."

Come, brothers, let us all unite,
Of Phi Delta singing;
We'll shout the chorus out to-night,
Happy voices ringing;
We'll sing the songs we love so dear,
Of common weal and brother's cheer,
And laud the name we all revere,
Of Phi Delta Theta.

Let music fill the evening air,
Songs of praise be welling;
There's joy for us, and naught of care
In our chapter dwelling.
Then let the chorus gladly ring,
And hearts their joyous offerings bring,
We'll sing the songs we love to sing
Of Phi Delta Theta.

P. W. SEARCH, Wooster, '76.

#### IT'S A WAY WE HAVE IN OUR CHAPTER.

AIR-" It's a way we have at old Harvard."

Whene'er Phi Delta calls, sir, As evening shadows fall, sir, We gather in our hall, sir, To drive dull care away.

Chorus.

To drive dull care away,
To drive dull care away,
It's a way we have in our chapter,
It's a way we have in our chapter,
It's a way we have in our chapter,
To drive dull care away.

With song and laughter light, sir, And many a solemn rite, sir, We spend a jovial night, sir, To drive dull care away.

Сно.

When we a brother meet, sir, We cordially him do greet, sir, And do him kindly treat, sir, To drive dull care away.

Сно.

W. B. PALMER, Vanderbilt, '80.

#### VIVE LES PHIS.

#### AIR-" Vive L'Amour."

Come, cheerful companions, and join in our song;
Phis are the boys we love!
And be we united in one common throng;
Phis are the boys we love!
Oh, mystery deepens whenever we sing,
Our voices united in chorus will ring.
Here's to the Phis! Here's to the Phis!
Here's to the Phis we love!

We're all bound together in one common tie;
Phis are the boys we love!
The success of Phi Delta our sole battle cry;
Phis are the boys we love!
The love and agreement which ever prevails
Is a sure protection from other's assails.
Here's to the Phis! Here's to the Phis!
Here's to the Phis we love!

The sword and the shield we keep always in sight;
Phis are the boys we love!
And work for Phi Delta with main and with might;
Phis are the boys we love!
And when we're alumni, we'll still raise the cry
To e'er keep the standard of Phi Delta high.
Here's to the Phis! Here's to the Phis!
Here's to the Phis we love!

A. G. FOSTER, Indiana, '78.

#### HAIL THEE.

#### AIR-" Holy, Holy, Holy."

Hail thee, hail thee, hail thee!
Phi Delta Theta,
Loudly round these altars our songs shall rise to thee.
Only now inspire us,
Set thy seaf upon us,
Regent victorious,
Dear Fraternity.

Joy be in thy temples,
Phi Delta Theta,
Send thy gladening presence thy loyal sons to greet,
Here in friendship bind us,
Cast all care behind us,
Thy love dost guide us,
Dear Fraternity.

#### A THOUSAND YEARS.

AIR—" A thousand years my own Columbia."

From every vale of this broad nation,

Come forth ye brothers, without fears;

From every field and every station

From every field and every station, Come sing the song a thousand years.

CHORUS,

A thousand years! Phi Delta Theta! High over all that star appears.
Oh, may the tidings ever greet us!
Our cause shall live a thousand years!

Yes, brothers, come with songs adorning, Greet this glad day with ringing cheers; For well we know the orient morning Will brighter grow a thousand years.

Waft, Waft, ye breezes, waft the story, Bear on your wings to other spheres; Make known to man Phi Delta's glory Will last, yes, last a thousand years.

Chorus.

P. W. SEARCH, Wooster, '76.

#### WORK! WORK! WORK!

AIR-"Tramp, Tramp, Tramp."

Over all the land so wide, where our fathers fought and died,
Died for liberty a hundred years ago,
There's a brave and faithful Band, standing firmly hand in hand,
Working for the right against a mighty foe.

CHORUS.

Work! work! work! Phi Delta Theta! For the battle is in view;

Let the golden sword and shield, brightly shining in the field, Lead us ever on to conquer and be true.

There is sin on every hand: there's oppression in the land,
Men cast down amid the overwhelming wrong;
And the cry is, day and night, cry unto the friends of Right—
"Men and brethren help us, help, for ye are strong."

CHO.

Then, my comrades, let us on, for a day of brighter dawn, When the brave and true shall triumph in the land; Ever foremost in the fray, fighting nobly day by day, Let us firmly for the Right and Justice stand.

P. W. SEARCH, Wooster, '76.

#### DEAR BROTHERHOOD.

AIR-" Lauriger Horatius."

Dear Brotherhood of college life, Far the brightest jewel, Love of friends and knowledge find, E'er in thee renewal.

CHORUS.

Oh, let us then, all hearts as one, Round Phi Delta's Altar, Pledge again fraternal love, Ne'er in faith to falter.

Ne'er shall discord's evil power,
Marring our communion,
Strain or break the mystic chain,
Holding us in union.

Chorus.

On and upward is thy course, Fortune thee attending, Thine own innate virtue e'er, From all ill defending.

CHORUS.

S. W. CARPENTER, Cornell, '75.

#### THE WHITE CARNATION.

AIR-" Eton Boating Song."

- Poets in adoration,
   May sing of the lovely rose,
   Finding an inspiration
   In the charms her buds disclose;
   But we deem the White Carnation
   The loveliest flower that grows.
- Some lavish adulation
   On daisy and daffodil,
   Some gaze in admiration
   On any flower at will;
   But we claim the White Carnation,
   And she is our own choice still.
- 3. Over the whole creation
  Of flowers of every hue
  We place, by acclamation,
  Queen, as her station due,
  The peerless White Carnation;
  And we are her vassals true.

H. TH. MILLER, Butler, '88.

#### HAIL, PHI DELTA THETA.

AIR-"Bingo."

Hail, Phi Delta Theta!
Drink it down, drink it down,
Hail, Phi Delta Theta!
Drink it down, drink it down.
Hail, Phi Delta Theta!
Than all rivals you are greater!
Drink it down, drink it down,
Drink it down, down, down.

#### CHORUS.

Bond of Friendship, Friendship,
Bond of Friendship, Friendship,
Bond of Friendship,
Way down in the Grecian camp,
We won't be barbs any more,
We won't be barbs any more,
We won't be barbs any more,
Way down in the Grecian camp.
Grecian, Grecian, Grecian, Grecian,
Grecian, Grecian, way down in the Grecian camp.
(Spoken.) G-R-E-C-I-A-N!

Here's to loyal Phis!
Drink it down, drink it down. Bis.
Here's to loyal Phis,
They above all others rise.
Drink it down, drink it down,
Drink it down, down, down.

Here's to white and blue!

Drink it down, drink it down. Bis
Here's to white and blue!

To their colors Phis are true,

Drink it down, drink it down,

Drink it down, down, down.

CHORUS.

CHORUS.

Here's to sword and shield
Drink it down, drink it down. Bis.
Here's to sword and shield!
These fair weapons win the field.
Drink it down, drink it down,
Drink it down, down, down.
CHORUS.

W. B. PALMER, Vanderbilt, '80.

#### DEAR OLD PHI DELTA THETA.

AIR-"Marching Through Georgia."

For the cause of old Phi Delta we will make the welkin ring; Our army, for the right, in one grand chorus e'er will sing— To our dear Fraternity we'll fame and honor bring, For dear old Phi Delta Theta.

Chorus.

Hurrah! hurrah! join in the jubilee; Hurrah! hurrah! ring out the notes of glee; Sing it with a chorus that will reach from sea to sea, For dear old Phi Delta Theta.

Ever onward, ever upward, is our noble cause and true; We'll measure arms with every foe that comes before our view; We'll e'er enhance the glory of the spotless white and blue For dear old Phi Delta Theta.

Сно.

Through this broad land, from lakes to gulf, we hold a mighty sway; From Occident to Orient we grow in strength each day; As long as this grand Union lasts, we never will dismay Striving for old Phi Delta Theta.

Сно.

E. H. L. RANDOLPH, C. C. N. Y. '85.

#### REUNION.

AIR-" Eton Boating Song."

Joyous Phis together, Singing our merry glee; Gathering here for pleasure With our dear Fraternity.

CHORUS.

For it is sing, sing together, Neath our colors of white and blue; For it is sing, sing together, Neath our colors of white and blue.

Meeting the boys of olden, Clasping them by the hand, Feasting to-night with brothers, Strengthening Phi Delta's band.

CHORUS.

Soon our course is ended, And scattered afar are we; But still singing the praises Of our blest Fraternity.

CHORUS.

O. W. WOOD, Syracuse, '92.

#### CHAPTER LIFE.

AIR-"Sweet Genevieve."

Without the sounds of life we hear,
It is the world we've left behind,
While kindly faces here appear,
And welcome in glad tones we find.
Let every care which has oppressed
Our minds through all the busy day,
Be banished, while in peaceful rest
We while the happy hours away.

Chorus.

Phi Delta Theta! we are met
To hold awhile communion sweet,
Phi Delta Theta! ne'er forget,
In spirit such as this to meet.

The culture of the heart and mind Allures us to this place to-night, The noblest task of human kind, In which true natures most delight. Ah! may the good we gather here A part of us forever be, And may this scene still fresh appear, Through all life's years in memory.

Сно.

L. T. RIGHTSELL, De Pauw, '80.

#### ADORATION HYMN.

AIR-Michigan University Song "Yellow and Blue."

I. Hail to the maiden whose colors we wear, Hail to the White and Blue! Hail to the maid of the golden hair, Engarbed in the white and the blue! Eye with the glance of the diamond bright, O'er guarding the bosom, enamel dight, Hail!

Hail to the maiden whose colors we wear, Hurrah for the White and Blue.

Sing of the love which to her we bear,
 Constant as morning's light,
 Love that united we proudly share,
 It knows not a wind that can blight.
 Crown her with lilies, and twine the blue-bell
 With roses of white, and sweet asphodel,
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Hail to the maiden whose colors we wear, Hurrah for the Blue and White.



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3. Her's are the colors from the sun's warm light To depths of cerulean blue. True unto her is the troth we plight, Binding our faith anew, Pure as these colors from celestial seas, That form and melt in the summer's breeze. Hail!

Hail to the colors of truth and right, Hurrah for the White and Blue.

4. Phi Delta Theta, yes, thou art the one, Thou art thy sons' delight! In these true hearts thy praises are sung, Through days that can never know night. Time cannot dim, nor shall friends new o'ershade The depths of the love that our Bond hath made. Hail!

Hail to the maiden whose colors we wear, Hurrah for the Blue and White.

#### OUR CAUSE SPEEDS ON.

AIR-"Auld Lang Syne."

Across the plains from distant hills,
There comes a shout of praise;
A shout that in triumphant peals
Phi Delta Thetas raise;
A shout that comes in loud hurrahs,
And ever seems to say:
"Cheer up, ye comrades, for our cause
Speeds nobly on its way."

Should gloomy clouds o'ercast our sky, And tempests round us roar; Should years of sorrow gather nigh, And foes oppress us sore, E'en then that stirring cry we hear: "Oh, brothers, con't dismay, Cheer up, ye comrades, never fear, Our cause speeds on its way."

March on, march on, ye mighty host,
Nor think the journey done,
Nor stop of future deeds to boast
Till every victory's won;
Then when we hear from time to time:
"Phi Delts, what of the day?"
We'll thunder back along the line:
"Our cause speeds on its way."

P. W. SEARCH, Wooster, '76.

#### BLITHELY WE WILL SING.

AIR-"Sparkling and Bright."

Let a song arise to the star-gemmed skies,
As the evening shades surround us,
And float away till the dawning day
Sheds its rosy light around us;
For our hearts are free while we sing our glee
'Neath the silvery lights above us,
And our voices chime at this witching time
With the tones of those who love us.

#### CHORUS

Then blithely we will sing to thee,
Dear Brotherhood of Phis,
And for many a year to our memories dear
Be the thought of those college ties.

As the days speed by and the time draws nigh
That will see our pathways sever,
Let us gather in more of friendship's store
And enrich our lives forever;
Now we glide along on the wings of song,
With never a thought of sorrow,
And our chorus swell like far-off bells
Ringing out for a glad to-morrow.

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May we build each hour into friendship's tower,
That, like a light-house beaming,
Sends a golden ray as we drift away
To the future of our dreaming;
And at last when we reach the surge-worn beach,
Where the waves of eternity murmur,
May the love that we bear our Brotherhood fair
Only grow the deeper and firmer.

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CONWAY MCMILLAN, Nebraska, '85.

#### PHI DELTA.

AIR-" America."

Phi Delta, 'tis of thee
Fountain of purity,
Of thee we sing:
Let streams of friendship glide,
Let love in all abide
From every mountain side
Let praises ring.

C. J. REDDIG, Pennsylvania, '77.

#### SMOKING SONG.

AIR-"Sparkling and Bright."

While gathered here, with song and cheer, Our thoughts together blending, Our sorrows fade, like smoke we've made, On evening air ascending.

#### CHORUS.

Then cheer, boys, cheer, forget all fear
Of change that waits before us,
While fragrant wreaths, that each one breathes,
So lightly gather o'er us.

The ringlets twirl, and upward curl, To float in clouds of azure; With fancy light, air castles bright We build, and dream of pleasure.

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The volumed blue, of friendship true, Is to this band the token, And in the eyes of loyal Phis We see affection spoken.

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As rings of smoke, that soon are broke, This band must soon part, grieving, Yet still will see, where'er we be, Old friends in smoke cloud wreathing.

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W. B. PALMER, Vanderbilt, '80.

#### THE OLD CHAPEL BELL.

AIR-"The Spanish Guitar."

When I was a student at college,
Naught echoed my heart's voice so well, ring! ching!
As that voice speaking softly, yet grandly,
Rung out from the old chapel bell, ring! ching!

#### CHORUS.

Ring! ching! ching! Ring! ching! ching! echo the bells, Re-echo the bells, Re-echo the Bells; Ring! ching! ching! ching! ching! echo the bells, The silver toned bells of my youth, ring! ching! With the first rosy glow of the dawning:
When softly the evening shades fell, ring! ching!
Its anthem made grand the old story,
When told by the old chapel bell, ring! ching!
CHO.

When now on the joys of life's morning. With sweetest remembrance 1 dwell, ring! ching! The pleasures of college and chapter Are retold by the old chapel bell, ring! ching!

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E. H. L. RANDOLPH, C. C. N. Y., '85.

#### REUNION.

AIR-"Upidee."

How fares it with you now, my boys,

U-pi-dee. u-pi-da!
Since last we met with mirth and noise,

U-pi-dee-i-da!
The days have glided swiftly by,
And older still are you and 1.

#### CHORUS.

U-pi-dee-i, dee-i, da, u-pi-dee, u-pi-da! U-pi-dee-i, dee-i-da, u-pi-dee-i-da! R-r-r-r-r-r-r-r-r-r--Yah, yah, yah, yah! U-pi-dee-i, dee-i, da, u-pi-dee, u-pi-da! U-pi-dee-i, dee-i, da, u-pi-dee-i-da!

Some here, perhaps have found a wife,
U-pi-dee, u-pi-da!

And thus are happy made for life,
U-pi-dee-i-da!

But nevertheless, for good or ill,
The most of us are bachelors still.

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Just hold your breath, kind friends, awhile,
U-pi-dee, u-pi-da!

Be careful now and don't you smile,
U-pi-dee-i-da!

But listen while we say to you,
This mournful song is nearly through.

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CHAS. GROENENDYKE, Wabash, '69.

#### PHI DELTA THETA HALL.

AIR-"America."

Phi Delta Theta hall,
Dear refuge of us all,
Of thee we sing:
We love thy inmates dear,
We sing thy songs of cheer,
Thy praise from year to year
Shall upward ring.

Phi Delta Theta hall,
Within thy templed wall
Our spirits blend;
In thee we love to meet,
Our brothers there to greet,
And drink of pleasures sweet
Till time shall end.

Phi Delta Theta hall
Whom thousands shall extol,
Thee we adore;
Thou mighty fount of power,
Phi Delta Theta tower,
On thee we'll blessings shower,
Forever more.

P. W. SEARCH, Wooster, '76.

#### INITIATION ODE.

AIR-" Zion."

Hail we now our worthy brother,
Bound to us by friendship's tie;
As we cherish one another,
Heaven bless our new made Phi.
Let us ever
Nobly live and nobly die.

P. W. SEARCH, Wooster, '76.

#### PHI DELTA THETA.

#### THE CREED OF THE FRATERNITY.

Every organization that claims a right to exist must have that claim based upon the good which it is able to do, either in its influence over its own members, or upon those with whom it comes in contact. Upon nothing less can a legitimate organization be maintained.

This obligation the Fraternity of Phi Delta Theta claims to fulfill, and in evidence submits the history it has made and the character of those who are within its bounds.

It is a Brotherhood of college men, that endeavors by the enjoined social features of the society, to further develop and strengthen the intellectual and moral character of its members. It never ignores the social or true fraternal principle on which it is founded in order to gain the lustre of mere intellectual achievement or moral worth. And in turn the fellowships of its united sons is always guided by principles of moral excellence. It cleaves to the threefold object for which the six original members clasped hands, who in the Bond of the Phi Delta Theta have given us the basis upon which they pledged their undying friendship.

This same pledge has been taken by every one who has come into the Fraternity and is forever the expression of the objects contemplated by the Phi Delta Theta. It recognizes the social, mental and moral attributes of true

manhood and upon them has set its foundations.

Secrecy concerning the organization is perpetually and wisely enjoined by its Bond. Not because secrecy is a vital factor, but as typifying and rendering universal throughout the chapters, the *privacy* which should mark the deliberations of its members, and which privacy is essential to the welfare of the order. It is the privacy of the home and family circles that renders possible the development of character which without it could not be attained, and for the same end the Fraternity carries the element of privacy into the associations of the young men who have come from these homes. He who rails at the college fraternity because of its secrecy, deprecates the councils of the family fireside, and belies his own training.

#### DEVELOPMENT AND CHAPTER ROLL.

It was in the summer of 1848 that six men at Miami University, drawn together by kindred tastes, sought to

typify their friendship and obligations for mutual helpfulness by the formation of a society, which would perpetuate this friendship and these obligations among unanimously chosen successors. The months of the summer's vacation found these men counselling together upon the subject of this organization, and working upon its precepts. College resumed, the spare hours were spent in elaborating the declaration of union which, six months after the first avowed purpose, was finished, and on December 26, 1848, these men held their first meeting at which "The Bond of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ," the product of six month's thought, was read and signed. It is forever the basis of union of the Fraternity. Since then it has received more than 7,500 signatures. From the original "Bond" at Miami, copies have been given out to the following colleges which constitute the active roll of the Fraternity:

MIAMI. MICHIGAN.
INDIANA. DE PAUW.
CENTRE. OHIO.
WABASH. ROANOKE.
WISCONSIN. MISSOURI.
NORTHWESTERN. KNOX.
BUTLER. GEORGIA.
OHIO WESLEYAN. EMORY.

Franklin. Iowa Wesleyan. Hanover. Wooster.

Hanover. Woos Cornell. Iowa

LAFAYETTE. SOUTH CAROLINA.

California. Kansas. Michigan State. Hillsdale.

Virginia. University of the South.
Texas. Ohio State.

RANDOLPH-MACON.

BUCHTEL.

NEBRASKA.

PENNSYLVANIA.

UNION.

COLBY.

Nebraska. Colby.
Richmond. Columbia.
Pennsylvania College. Dartmouth.
Washington and Jefferson. North Carolina.

Vanderbilt. Central.
Mississippi. Williams.
Alabama. Southwestern.

Illinois Wesleyan. Syracuse.

Southern. Washington and Lee.

Lombard. Lehigh. Alabama Polytechnic. Mercer.

ALLEGHENY.
VERMONT.
DICKINSON.
WESTMINSTER.
MINNESOTA.

AMHERST.
BROWN.
TULANE.
WASHINGTON.
LELAND STANFORD.

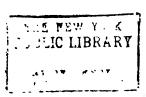
In addition to this roll of chapters, fifteen other institutions have at different times been the custodians of a Phi Delta Theta charter, but for various reasons these charters have been returned or withdrawn, and in none of them does the Fraternity desire representation again. Of the charters issued in the last fourteen years, but one has been returned, that one being recalled by the National Convention, and opportunity for its renewal has been since denied.

The present active roll comprises six chapters in New England, four in New York and seven in Pennsylvania, these constituting the Alpha or Eastern Province of the Fraternity; five chapters in Virginia, "mother of colleges," as well as of statesmen, one in each of the Carolina state universities, and two in Kentucky, constituting Beta Province; three each in Georgia and Alabama, and two in Tennessee, the Gamma Province; one in Mississippi, one in Louisiana, and two in Texas, the Delta Province; in Ohio six, Indiana seven, and Michigan three, the Epsilon; Zeta Province, the Illinois, Wisconsin and trans-Mississippi chapters, altogether fifteen. Any one conversant with collegiate and educational development can see that this well balanced distribution of Phi Delta Theta chapters has been determined by it. The Fraternity is represented in twentyseven states, and in twenty of these in state universities, Ohio furnishing two, the Ohio and the Ohio State universities, a total of twenty-one chapters in state universities, besides the Alabama Polytechnic and the Michigan State, both under state and federal patronage. The average age of the active chapters of Phi Delta Theta, computed for 1893, is eighteen years.

#### THE RELATION OF THE CHAPTERS TO ONE ANOTHER.

Before the era of fraternity journalism communication between the several chapters of the Fraternity was had by means of regular correspondence and occasional visits between neighbors, and by the conventions. With the fraternity journal came chapter correspondence where one letter served as a communication to every chapter of the fraternity. It has been a subject of remark among rivals that not only has  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  led in number of chapters, but that





in proportion to this number, the department of chapter correspondence has been better kept up, than in any similar publication. This flourishing feature of the Fraternity's organ, THE SCROLL, has created even a greater community of interest between the chapters than existed under the postal correspondence regime with its directness of communication, and this can be accounted for only by the frequency of the communications, and this in turn, only by the zeal of the chapters in the cause of the Fraternity. Visits between members of neighboring chapters are frequent, and with the growth of intercollegiate contests of various kinds can hardly be said to be limited to neighboring chapters. So, too, there is not a chapter of the Fraternity located at any considerable town or city, or accessible to a main line of travel, but what every year is in receipt of visits from alumni or undergraduate Phis whose business has taken them thither, or who stop off for the sole purpose of visiting the members of a chapter, none of whom, possibly, they may have ever met before. Alpha, Epsilon and Zeta Provinces hold regular Province conventions, those of Epsilon being held annually, while the other two alternate with the National conventions. In the southern Provinces the chapters are too far apart to hold regular Province conventions, so instead, in most of them, annual state reunions are held. The National conventions of the Fraternity are held bi-ennially, and from the plan of a per capita tax by which the Convention pays the railroad fare of the delegate from each chapter, the representation in every Convention is unusually large. The Conventions are migratory, each one choosing the location of the next. Beginning with the most recent one and going back, they have been, Atlanta, Ga, Bloomington, Ill., New York, N. Y., Nashville, Tenn., Richmond, Va., Indianapolis, Ind., Wooster, Ohio, Philadelphia, Pa., etc., etc.

It will be thus seen that the exchange of acquaintance between the several chapters is frequent and widespread. With the rapid growth of the alumni body of the Fraternity, the contact of graduate members with the various chapters and with one another will become even more frequent than is now the case. A number of the eastern fraternities have much larger alumni lists in the larger eastern cities, but even taking this into consideration, it is probable that the members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  come in contact with one another from day to day, and various places, oftener than do the members of any other fraternity.

## THE MEMBERSHIP ROLL.

In 1850 the  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  Fraternity numbered, all told, 25 members. In 1860 the number had grown to 292. 1870 found the names of 575 members on the roll. In 1880 the number had grown to 2600. In 1890 it was 6100, and for 1893 the total has mounted to 7600. By Provinces, this number is divided as follows:

Alpha Province	.1420
Beta Province	. 980
Gamma Province	
Delta Province	. 310
Epsilon Province	.2150
Zeta Province	.1525

The average number of members per chapter is thus at this time 112, and with the average age of chapters eighteen years, the number of initiates to each chapter, per year, has averaged but a fraction over six. This is the rate of increase at this time. Each year seeing about 400 names added to the rolls of the Fraternity.

What can be said of the achievements of those members who have gone out from college halls? Is the in-

heritance not worthy of the Fraternity?

As can be seen by the figures above, the membership of the Fraternity for its first two decades was small. Had not the civil war interrupted its growth, the number would have been much larger. But notwithstanding this fact it will be seen that the list of members who have achieved public distinction is a large one, excelled by but a few societies, while in proportion to the number of early initiates, from whom such a list must come, it, we believe, leads all others. This list includes no honorary members:

Benjamin Harrison, ex-President U. S.; A. E. Stevenson, Vice President U. S.; W. F. Vilas, J. C. S. Blackburn and J. B. Allen, U. S. Senators; John W. Foster, ex-Minister to Russia, Mexico and Spain, ex-Secretary of State; J. S. Ewing, U. S. Minister to Belgium; E. H. Conger, Minister to Brazil; J. C. Black, ex-Commissioner of Pensions and present congressman-at-large from Illinois; T. J. Morgan, ex-Commissioner of Indian Affairs; A. C. Mellette, Governor of South Dakota; and among Congressmen and ex-Congressmen, T. B. Ward, of Indiana; J. C. Sherwin, of Illinois; A. H. Hamilton, of Indiana; J. A.

Anderson, of Kansas; J. F. Phillips, of Missouri, and C. L. Moses, of Georgia, besides a number of those whose

names have been mentioned in other connections.

Among noted jurists should be named—W. A. Woods, of Indiana Supreme Court and U. S. District Court; Byron K. Elliott, Chief Justice of Indiana Supreme Court; J. F. Phillips, of Missouri Supreme Court; W. B. Fleming, ex-Chief Justice New Mexico Supreme Court; Norman Buck, of Idaho Supreme Court; S. P. McConnell, Gynn Garnett and C. C. Kohlsaat, of Illinois (Chicago) Circuit Court; J. Z. Moore and J. W. Fieghan, of Washington Circuit Court; A. P. Humphrey and J. G. Simrall, of Kentucky Chancery Court; J. D. Hunt, of Kentucky Circuit Court; D. D. Banta, J. V. Hadley, A. C. Ayers, W. P. Edson, J. C. Robinson and G. W. Grubbs, of Indiana Circuit Court.

Among college presidents have been or are—W. G. Ballentine, of Oberlin; Dr. J. V. Logan, of Central University; W. T. Stott, of Franklin; J. T. McFarland, of Iowa Wesleyan; Hinton Calloway, of Marvin College; A. I. Hobbs, of Drake University; Holmes Dysinger, of Carthage College; W. H. Wynn, of Midland College; Alston Ellis, of Colorado State College; A. W. Ringland, of

Macalester College.

Among college professors—C. C. Brown, of Union; L. H. Bailey, of Cornell; W. A. Keener, Dean of Columbia Law School; W. B. Yonce, of Roanoke; D. C. Brown, T. M. Iden and H. Th. Miller, of Butler; L. M. Hoskins, D. E. Spencer and V. L. Kellogg, of Leland Stanford; Waller Deering, of Adelbert; Conway McMillen, of Minnesota; S. B. Christy, W. C. Jones and M. A. Howe. of California; R. D. Bohannon and William McPherson, of Ohio State; Andrew Stephenson, of Wesleyan; John Daniel, of Vanderbilt; C. H. Hall, J. W. Moncrief, D. A. Owen. A. B. Chaffee and C. E. Goedel, of Franklin; A. E. Phillips, of Purdue; W. C. McClelland, of Washington and Jefferson; L. G. Weld and C. S. Magowan; of Iowa State University; E. C. Franklin, of Iowa State College; W. M. Stine, Armour Institute; C. C. Cody and M. Calloway, Jr., Southwestern; W. D. Shipman and W. H. Van Orman, of Buchtel; E. F. Cone, of Case School of Applied Science; W. M. Munson, of Maine State; H. W. Ruoff, of Pennsylvania State; W. A. Elliott and C. F. Ross, of Allegheny; L. S. Hurlburt, of University of So. Dakota, and many others.

The following members of the clergy are of state and national reputation: Dr. J. M. Worrall, late of New York, now Professor of Theology at Centre College; Dr. G. F. Stelling, of Omaha; Prof. David Swing, of Chicago; Dr. Willis G. Craig, of McCormick Theological Seminary; Dr. H. C. Mabie, Secretary of the Baptist Foreign Missionary Society; C. M. Beckwith, of Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. J. S. Jenckes, of Indianapolis, and R. V. Hunter, of Terre Haute, the latter famous for his Evangelical and Sunday School work; E. P. Little, of Lancaster, N. H.; David Utter and

A. W. Little, of Chicago.

The members of the Fraternity who have gained distinction as lawyers are many, and it would be impossible to give an adequate list which would contain all those who are well known throughout their own and in many cases in adjoining states. The following includes only names of prominent lawyers, but probably many Phis of equal or greater prominence than some of those mentioned, are omitted from the list. At Indianapolis there are J. L. Mitchell, ex-Mayor, J. S. Duncan, A. C. Harris, and in the firm Harrison, Miller & Elam, the first and last named partners are Phis; L. W. Billingsley and G. M. Lambertson are likely the most prominent members of the bar of Nebraska's capital; A. W. Rogers, one of the Founders of the Fraternity, is well known at Warrensburg, Mo.; I, M. McCoy, of Dallas, is known throughout his state; T. W. Bullitt and Thomas Speed are equally known at Louisville; Emmett Tompkins and Cyrus Huling, the former an ex-member of the Legislature and the latter a three term Republican Prosecutor in a Democratic county, are prominent at Columbus, Ohio's capital; W. P. Black, J. S. McConnell and A. D. Baldwin are old time members of Chicago's famous bar; W. H. Chamberlain and J. N. E. Wilson, of San Francisco, are famous not only in law, but in politics, throughout California; W. W. Quarles, of Selma, Ala., E. T. Merrick, Jr., of New Orleans, L. W. Ross, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, J. M. Barrs and D. U. Fletcher of Jacksonville, Fla., are all eminently well known as lawyers. and have all held public offices. At the election of state solicitors in Georgia last year, seven of the number were Phis, and in Alabama, three out of the nine for the whole state, likewise, were wearers of our badge.

Among journalists these names stand high in the profession: Eugene Field, *Chicago News*; W. O. Bates. St. Paul *Pioneer-Press*; H. V. N. Boynton, Washington corre-

spondent; H. U. Brown, *Indianapolis News*; W. R. Worrall, N. Y. *Mail and Express*; S. D. Fry, Washington correspondent; C. L. Goodwin, *Washington Post*; G. H. Armistead, *Nashville Herald*, and the Baker Bros., C. W.

and M. N., of the New York Engineering News.

Many names and distinctions other than those named for members, could be added to the above. Thus, Willis G. Craig was Moderator of the late General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church at Washington, famous for the trial of Dr. Briggs. G. M. Lambertson was Ass't Secretary of the Treasury, in the Harrison administration, J. W. Foster, besides the many offices held, is a member of the Alaska Commission, and is employed by the U.S. Government as expert attorney in all foreign affairs. now on a trip to circle the globe. Harrison R. Williams is the U. S. Consul at Vera Cruz. J. M. Schaeberlee, of Lick Observatory, is becoming famous for his discoveries in astronomical science, and was the one sent by that institution to South America last spring to establish an observatory for the purpose of securing photographs during the total eclipse of the sun. W. H. Ellerbe has been State-Comptroller of South Carolina since 1890, and J. C. Smith State Treasurer of Alabama since 1892. Dr. J. K. Boude has long stood high in the Government Pension Department, and Dr. L. S. McMurtry, of Louisville, is one the ablest abdominal surgeons in the United States. These are enough, however, to show that honorable mention of Phis could be continued to great length. They are mentioned, not for boasting, for others could boast to their satisfaction also, but to keep the active membership acquainted with the generations of Phis who have preceded them, and to whose work they have fallen heir. The Fraternity is not called upon to say that its work has been unfruitful.

#### RELATION OF ALUMNI TO THE FRATERNITY.

Fraternities are not satisfied to claim the interest and loyalty of their members through their college days only. They seek to retain this for all time, and upon the degree of post-graduate enthusiasm displayed by their members do the several societies assert superiority. There is scarcely a one but has on numerous occasions claimed for itself the largest degree of alumni loyalty, and so common is this boast that of itself it proves nothing. There is no doubt that to a considerable extent the interest

which a society is able to retain among its alumni is an index to its usefulness among its undergraduate members. By this interest, advice and aid of alumni and contact with them the social life of the chapters is strengthened and made wider, their material equipment increased and the character of membership made more stable. There is less fluctuating in standards of membership and the traditions of the society more closely adhered to.

The history of alumni interest in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  goes back almost to the graduation of the first Phis from their colleges. In 1851 the Fraternity authorized the formation of "The Society of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ," to be a higher degree of "The  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  Society," the former to be composed of alumni and to have given to it the power of granting charters and general supervision. On account of the age of the Fraternity at that time (three years) the plan was abandoned two years later. In 1865 a reunion of Indiana Phis was held in Indianapolis, and since 1878 these reunions have been held annually under a regular association. In 1876 the Phis resident in Franklin, Indiana, organized an alumni chapter, its objects being social, for the preservation of the Fraternity ties, and to promote the interests of adjacent undergraduate chapters. Since then our alumni in all our larger cities have formed regular organizations. These may be found in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Washington, Baltimore. Richmond, Atlanta, Columbus, Ga., Montgomery, Selma, Ala., Nashville, New Orleans, Louisville, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Akron, Indianapolis, Franklin, Chicago, Galesburg, Minneapolis and St. Paul, St. Louis, Kansas City, Denver, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Spokane, Wash. It will thus be seen that we have such organizations in thirty cities. In some of these the organization is merely formal, but in most, meetings are held at stated intervals. In 1889 the Fraternity adopted the plan of having an annual "Alumni Day," and the constitution was amended so as to require all alumni organizations to hold their annual meeting on this date. There is some discussion on a topic of welfare for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and a more or less pretentious banquet always forms a part of the evening exercises. This date at first was the third Wednesday in February, but was later changed to March 15th, this being the birthday of Robert Morrison, the author of our Bond. Many of the active chapters likewise set the day aside as one for special celebration.

The formation of alumni chapters and the observance of "Alumni Day" has always been of advantage to the Fraternity. They show that the men who were enthusiastic while in college do not desire to be forgetful of those ties and associations in later life. Neither do these alumni organizations have to depend entirely upon the more recent graduates. Those of the oldest of our alumni have exhibited as much loyalty as the younger members, though, naturally, professional, business, family and other multiplied cares make it harder for them than for younger members to be present at the various reunions.

Robert Morrison, Ohio Alpha, '49, one of our founders, has been in attendance at all the recent National conventions of the Fraternity, traveling hundreds of miles to greet the boys of his Fraternity. His home is in Fulton, where Missouri Beta is located, and he is a regular visitor at the meetings of this chapter, its warm friend and wise

counsellor.

Dr. O. N. Stoddard, another early member of Ohio Alpha, for many years Professor of Natural Science at Wooster, was up to the time of his death a regular visitor to Ohio Delta meetings. Once in every term of each year he would go to the hall to meet the old boys, to get acquainted with the new members, and to counsel them in their work.

Prest. Alston Ellis of Colorado State College, is another Phi, who retains a warm interest in every thing pertaining to  $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ , and the present undergraduates of Ohio Alpha

can testify that his loyalty is not an empty one.

When the Ohio Alpha was revived in 1885, among the greetings received were those from Benjamin Harrison, and later, when refurnishing the chapter rooms, Harrison's donation was among the first received. Mr. Harrison was always known in Indianapolis as an enthusiastic fraternity man. He was a frequent attendant and toaster at Phi banquets, and on one occasion, as a representative fraternity man, was called upon to address the national convention of another fraternity in his city. Nominated and elected to the Presidency, he found time during the busy time of his term of office to attend a formal Phi Delta Theta banquet each of these four years. On one of these occasions he said:

My brothers in this old Society, I enjoy this moment very much in associating with you. I was a member at the first chapter of this, the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, of Miami. I have not lost the im-

pression of the solemnity and reverence which I experienced hunting in the dark in those early times to find my chapter room, and I am glad to know that those meetings were not meetings in the dark. I joined when the Order was young. Now I find its members scattered in all States, where they hold positions of trust and influence. I find that in all its history it has sustained a reputation of which its members may well be proud. I propose that we drink to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , to whom we give our allegiance and our love."

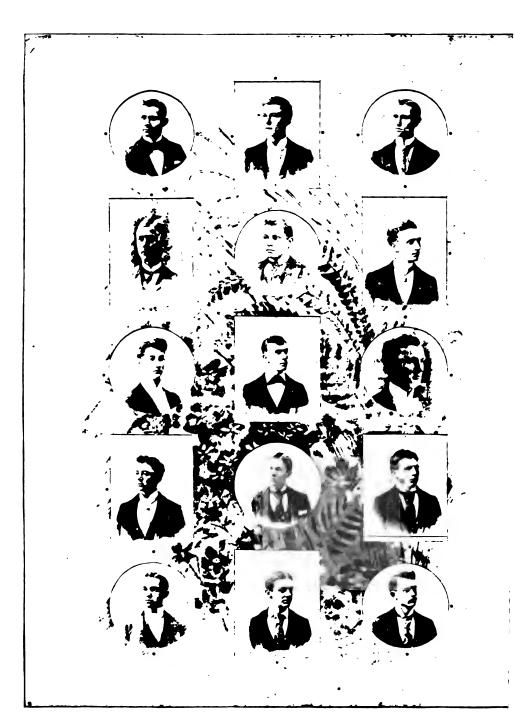
Byron K. Elliott, who holds the highest position in Indiana's judiciary—Chief Justice of her Supreme Court, traveled from Indianapolis to Richmond, Va., to address a Phi Convention and refused to allow any part of the expenses incurred thereby to be paid by the Convention or Fraternity. Recently on another occasion he wrote:

- "I esteem it a high honor to be so kindly remembered by the noble young men who gather at our shrines with pure hearts and lofty aspirations, and who do great honor to our noble Brotherhood. I am proud of their friendship, and in all life's memories there are none more pleasant than those of the hours spent at the gatherings of the true sons of Phi Delta Theta. I have watched with pleasure and pride the wisdom which has governed their councils, and the true nobility of character which has ruled their actions in all the paths of life. It is my fervent prayer that our Fraternity may yet grow in strength and usefulness, and that the dawn of its life, yet young, but bright and glorious promise, may widen to a clear and boundless day."
- J. F. Philips of the Kentucky Alpha, an ex-member of Congress, and a member of the Supreme Bench of Missouri, in closing an address at the Convention at Nashville in 1884, said:
- "Brother Phis—No words of mine can express the emotions awakened by this reunion. Twenty-nine years have swept on and by since as a college boy I sat in your councils and shared in your social and literary feasts. They have been years pregnant with vicissitude, change and transformation. Joy and sorrow, the prose and poetry of life, have commingled. They have brought the streakings of silver to the locks and slower motion to the steps. And yet, although time has been busy with his fate-edged scythe, there are glowing memories that age cannot dull, nor time dim, still clinging to the soul.

'Bright as the star of matin hour, Sweet as the song of Spring.'

Back over the long traveled track friendship and love shed a mellow light, hallowed and inextinguishable. It carries us back to the dear old college lawns where there was dew on the grass and stars on the dew.

'And the young moons of April and the young girls of old, How they flock to our hear's like lambs to the fold.'



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After we have again, with our hearts locked in our hands, ascended the river of time, recounted the incidents of long ago and sung the old songs, we will return to the *old* girls we left behind us, to our duties and labors, all the younger and stronger and happier for this reunion with brother Phis."

E. A. Price, a prominent member of the Nashville Bar, in a response to a toast at a banquet of the Vanderbilt and Nashville Phis had this to say of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's teachings:

"It is my firm persuasion that from the mollifying opinions of such associations as Phi Delta Theta affords, we have the best possible guarantee for the continued good will of the once disunited sections of our common country. Patriotism is fostered in our Society, and these noble and most elevating sentiments receive constant strength and support in our ranks."

Hon. Emmett Tompkins, of the Ohio Gamma, an attendant at many Phi conventions, an ex-member of the Ohio Legislature, who attended the Bloomington convention in 89, said:

"Now, brethren, let me thank you for this opportunity to meet with you and to enlarge the fraternal relations I assumed full twenty years ago. Then it was that I moved into the mysteries, and was clothed with all the rights, privileges and immunities of Phi Delta Theta. The step then taken has not for a moment been regretted. It was a wise and prudent one. The decades past have been full of change and not entirely free from trials, but I find that there is an enduring flame ascending from our altar that neither time nor the vicissitudes of fortune can subdue. We are met as a band of brothers; we have greeted each other, and will part, I hope, inspired with the true spirit of our beloved Fraternity. Most of you are enthusiastic young college men, brim full of the ardor so characteristic of college days, and the lessons that you are learning now are the seed that must bring the harvest of the future. 'As you sow, so shall ye surely reap.' And let me tell you that from no other source can you derive purer, more lasting and beneficent germs than from the propagating house of Phi Delta Theta. Be true and loyal knights. Keep your characters as chaste as the white ribbons you wear, and your courage as firm as its mate; and in your relations with each other and with all mankind be governed by the terms of our sacred Bond."

Hon. A. E. Stevenson, of Bloomington, has always been a staunch friend of the Illinois Epsilon chapter, and at a dinner tendered him after his election as Vice President, before going to Washington, he expressed himself as follows on the worth of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  associations:

"How vividly this scene revives the memories of the long ago. The years roll back like a scroll—and again I am in the presence of the brother Phi Delta Theta's of old Centre College, and some of

these Phis whose youthful faces come up before me out of the shadows of the past, are Judges Delaney and Simrell and Senator Blackburn of Kentucky; Rev. Dr. McNair of Missouri and James S. Ewing of Illinois. Others I recall, who like these I have named, have achieved distinction in the pulpit, at the bar and in the great halls of debate.

More than a third of a century has passed since my active membership in this our common Fraternity ceased. The rolling years, however, have not weakened the ties that bind me to my brothers of our beloved Fraternity.

'Time but the impression stronger makes, As streams their channels deeper clear.'

I count myself fortunate in the fact that my name is upon the rolls of this Society. I trust I have not in the hurly-burly of active life entirely forgotten what has been taught us in the Chapter. We are not far from the true path so long as our lives are squared by the precepts of this noble Fraternity."

Such quotations as the above are culled from a few expressions concerning the Fraternity which get into print, but which number is but a few of the many which are made and heard in various assemblages of Phis every year. They demonstrate that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  lives in the social life and memory of her sons, no matter how far removed college days may be.

# CHAPTER HOMES.

It was more than twenty years ago that homes for the fraternity began to take hold upon the older chapters of several societies. At first a lodge or meeting hall was the end sought, but at this time few chapters are content with this acquisition, but seek a building that will contain living rooms for the members, and be in actuality a home for the members and a rendezvous for the alumni whenever they get back to their alma mater.

To  $\Delta \Psi$  belongs the credit of the best equipment in this line. Of her nine living chapters, eight own their

homes.

The lodge of the Tennessee Beta was the first regularly built and owned house by a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  chapter. Tennessee Alpha owns a beautiful lot on which she has erected a handsome lodge. New York Alpha, Georgia Beta, Wisconsin Alpha and Illinois Zeta all own lots and have building funds. At least two of these chapters will build their own homes this coming year. The Williams, Amherst, Syracuse, Cornell, Lehigh, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Michigan, Minnesota, California and Stanford chapters,

in addition to these, occupy leased houses, several with purchasing privileges. All of them have funds accumulating, looking forward to the owning of their homes. In less than ten years it is safe to say that thirty of our chapters will be ensconced in houses, the majority of which will be owned by the occupants.

### FRATERNITIES IN GENERAL.

In 1776 some students at William and Mary College, Virginia, organized a secret literary and social society, which took for its name the initial letters of its secret Greek motto— $\Phi$  B K. This society later established branches at Yale (1780) and Harvard (1781). These branches, the parent chapter having already disbanded, preserved the society from extinction. Before 1800, however, it had lost its distinction as an undergraduate social order and its elections were tendered to upper classmen as a reward for high scholarship. Its motto—"Philosophy the Guide of Life"—has long been open, and the society exists today in some thirty-four of the leading colleges of the United States as a purely honorary society.

The origin and extension of the Greek letter societies can be attributed entirely to  $\Phi$  B K. The presence of one such society in a college stimulated opposition in the form of rival societies, and these by branches at other

colleges have created the system.

Thus  $\Phi$  B K had existed at Union College from 1817. In 1825 there appeared there an organization among the students—a secret social and literary order—which has continued the same features from that time down to the present, and had for its name the Greek letters K A. It is then really the pioneer among our societies. It has been followed by  $\Delta \Phi$  and  $\Sigma \Phi$  at the same place in 1827; A  $\Delta \Phi$  at Hamilton in 1832;  $\Psi$  Y at Union in 1833;  $\Delta$  Y at Williams in 1834\*; B  $\Theta$  II at Miami in 1839; X  $\Psi$  at Union

<sup>\*</sup> This date in regard to  $\Delta$  Y is interesting and also misleading. In 1834 a majority of the non-fraternity students at Williams organized as an "anti-secret society." By the aid of printed circulars addressed to students in other colleges large numbers of these organized similar societies, usually comprising the entire non-fraternity element of the college. Between 1840 and 1847 a correspondence sprung up between several of these associations which resulted in a convention in 1847 and the formation of the "Anti-secret Confederation. This lasted until 1858 when this name was dropped for  $\Delta$  Y.

in 1841;  $\Delta$  K E at Yale in 1844; Z  $\Psi$  at New York in 1846;  $\Delta$   $\Psi$  at Columbia in 1847;  $\Theta$   $\Delta$  X at Union in 1847;  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  at Miami in 1848;  $\Phi$   $\Gamma$   $\Delta$  at Jefferson in 1848;  $\Phi$  K  $\Sigma$  at Pennsylvania in 1850;  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$  at Jefferson in 1852; X  $\Phi$  at Princeton in 1854;  $\Sigma$  X at Miami in 1855;  $\Sigma$  A E at Alabama in 1856;  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$  at Bethany in 1859; K A (S. O.) at Washington and Lee in 1865; A T  $\Omega$  at V. M. I. in 1865; K  $\Sigma$  at Virginia in 1867, and  $\Sigma$  N at V. M. I. in 1869.

From the colleges in which these have originated it can be seen how fraternities are classed as Eastern, Western and Southern The Eastern fraternies in founding precede all the Western, save B  $\Theta$  II. The Western precede all the Southern save  $\Sigma$  A E, which was founded

three years before  $\Delta T \Delta$ .

The Eastern fraternities in their development had an uncontested field. The same is for the most part true of the Western fraternities, where they sprang up in western and some southern instituions. The Southern fraternities have had to gain their foothold in a field where they

have met older rivals from the beginning.

These fraternities have varied in policy, standards of membership, prestige, and other features as well as in The Eastern fraternities, while extending their chapters to new institutions up to the outbreak of the Civil War, have largely been content since then to rest upon the strength gained to that time. In 1860 they were the unquestioned leading factors in the fraternity system. At that time the Western fraternities were yet young, but at the close of the war they engaged in the work of strengthening their ranks, intrenching themselves in the colleges of the West and South, and more recently in such Eastern institutions where increased attendance had made opening for a new society or societies. while most of her Eastern rivals have limited their chapter rolls,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has increased her's until it has made the Fraternity national in extent. In 1860 such a society was not possible, because the educational and social development had not been so nearly equalized throughout.

It was in 1881 that the society dropped the word "anti-secret" from its constitution and substituted "non-secret." The society as it exists today is in practices and purposes nowise akin to what it was in either 1847 or 1858. Previous to the former date its roll consisted of but the Williams and Union chapters, which, as above stated, comprised almost the entire non-fraternity element of these colleges.

the East. West and South as it is today. While the older societies have been content with what was feasible thirty years ago, Phi Delta Theta has reaped the advantages of educational and social growth which has been so marked in this period. In proportion to the number of chapters, the roll of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  colleges is no less strong than those of the Eastern societies, and from all of them is available a class of membership that would be up to the standard anywhere. Take Roanoke, Southwestern, Ohio, Franklin, Lombard, Westminster and Iowa Wesleyan, which would probably be classed as our "small colleges," —in all these the per cent. of fraternity men is small, but the Fraternity by means of its prestige in them has always been able to secure a membership of excellent character, and these chapters have given to us some of our most cherished and influential Phis.

Phi Delta Theta's roll includes 69 colleges in 28 states. Among the Eastern fraternities  $\Psi Y$  has 20 chapters in 11 states,  $\Delta K E$  has 34 chapters,  $A \Delta \Phi 19$ ,  $\Sigma \Phi 8$ ,  $Z \Psi 22$ ,  $X \Psi 16$ ,  $\Theta \Delta X 22$ .  $B \Theta \Pi$  is actively represented in 58 institution in 25 states,  $\Sigma X$  in 44,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  in 43,  $\Delta T \Delta$  in 37, and  $\Phi K \Psi$  in 35. Of the Southern orders,  $A T \Omega$  has 43 active branches, E A E 46, E N 33, E A S 34. E A C A S 34

chapters.

Taking the societies that will be considered the strongest rivals with which  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  contends,  $B \Theta \Pi$  is met in 37 colleges, in 17 of which we precede her. We meet \(\Sigma X\) in 30 and precede her in 20;  $\Delta T \Delta$  in 26 and precede her in 19;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  in 28 and precede her in 16;  $\Phi K \Psi$  in 23 and precede her in 9;  $\Delta$  K E in 20 and precede her in 6;  $\Delta$  Y in 15 and precede her in 7;  $X \Phi$  in 15 and precede her in 9; Ψ Y in 12 and precede her in 5. Taking all the established branches of these societies  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has next to the smallest per cent of extinct chapters.  $\Psi Y$  has lost only 9 per cent,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta 17$  per cent,  $\Delta Y 18$  per cent,  $\Delta K E 27$ per cent, B @ II 27 per cent (counting the moribund Harvard and Columbia chapters as living, and not counting the dead chapters of the Mystic Seven), Φ K Ψ 33 per cent, Σ X and Φ Γ Δ each 35 per cent, ΔTΔ 44 per cent and X Φ 50 per cent. In order of total membership enrolled Δ K E has the largest and is followed in order by B Θ II.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $\Psi \Upsilon$  and  $A \Delta \Phi$ .

It can thus be seen that in general policy  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has in no way sought to follow or to rival her Eastern sisters, but by the fortunes which each have followed they have

been thrown into rivalry at a considerable number of colleges. Because some of these have limited their membership, have they any advantage for that reason? Take Bowdoin, Middlebury, Tufts, Hamilton, Rochester and Kenyon in all of which are Eastern societies, in none of them is furnished a more select membership than can be had at Northwestern, Wisconsin, California, Stanford, De Pauw, Ohio Wesleyan, Vanderbilt, Georgia, Virginia and others on the rolls of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , in which institutions there are few or no Eastern representatives.

Of the Fraternities with which we have developed side by side B  $\Theta$  II is our oldest and strongest rival. In nearly all the strongest institutions on our roll we find B @ II also represented. We have chapters in Georgia, Alabama, Allegheny, Vermont, South, Williams, Tulane and Stanford all strong institutions and flourishing chapters, where B @ II is not represented. Omitting her Harvard chapter which has less than a nominal existence, and has been unknown in the University for five years, and her Yale chapter which as yet has not become well established, and has no list given in the last "annuals" from that institution, B @ II has successful chapters at Colgate and Wesleyan, both strong schools, in which we are not represented. On the other hand Φ Δ @ has declined to enter Maine State, Boston, St. Lawrence, Davidson, Bethany, Cumberland, Pennsylvania State, Cincinnati, Denver and others, where she is represented. The chapters at the University of Pennsylvania and Kenyon which are given on her roll as active have been dead for a number of years, and the Columbia chapter is nearly as inactive as the Harvard, X X is represented in no strong institutions in which Φ Δ @ is not represented, and carries Cincinnati and Southern California on its roll.  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  has chapters at Colgate, Trinity and University of the City of New York, the last two, however, being but a year old. Bethel is the weakest college on its roll.  $\Phi K \Psi$  has no strong institutions in which we are not, and the same can be said of  $\Delta T \Delta$ . On the other hand taking either Σ X, Φ Γ Δ, Φ K Ψ or Δ T Δ, the Fraternity is represented by strong chapters in more than a dozen of the prominent institutions in which representatives of these are lacking. A study then of the chapter roll alone shows that of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  to include the best of the institutions into which the leading fraternities have entered, and neither in actual or proportional number of

eminent colleges can any society surpass, if indeed, any can equal it. Phi Delta Theta was the pioneer fraternity at Northwestern, Butler, Franklin, Nebraska, Vanderbilt, Texas and Leland Stanford. In point of continuous existence the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is the senior chapter at Miami, Indiana, Missouri, Knox, Mercer, Alabama, Lombard, Alabama

Polytechnic and Washington University.

The rolls of the Southern fraternities contain the names of many institutions into which other fraternities have declined to enter and their long list of extinct chapters show chapters to have been established in colleges of poor standing, Academies, High Schools and in one or two instances two bodies of men not connected with any educational institution. They are, however, well represented in the Southern institutions of prominence, and within the last ten years, all of them with the exception of K A have placed chapters in a large number of Northern Colleges. On the whole, however, it may be said that they have more strength in the South than the Their chapters are mostly young yet. At the 26 institutions in which we meet A T  $\Omega$ , we precede her in 20 of them; KA we meet in 18 and precede at 11; K \( \sigma \) we meet in 15 and precede at 10 of these; SAE we meet at 26 and precede at 21; \(\Sigma\) We meet at 22 and precede at 18 of these. At a number of Southern universities these fraternities are our strongest rivals, but in Northern institutions the choice of material is disputed with Western and Eastern rivals.

## COLLEGE ANNUALS.

If any one can define "college life" and "college spirit," they have the essential definition of a college annual. It is the book which endeavors to reduce these things to ink, so that the student of yesterday, to-day and to-morrow may, as in a mirror, see the reflection of the student life which animates his chosen alma mater. It is without question the book of the college student. The dailies, weeklies and monthlies or the college catalogue do not in any way trample in its field. The first named are news mongers and directors, the last is an official register and

announcement. The college annual is—is—yes, college life and spirit. You old time brother, if you would know the true atmosphere in which your fond son moves at college, take up that annual, and in its pages find the reflection of the year's passing events. It is better than a week spent with him so far as getting at the actual regime, for then he is on dress parade and good behavior.

Do student life and college spirit vary in different institutions? Examine the assemblage of college annuals and you have the answer—motley scarcely expresses the

diversity.

Do these features bear any resemblance from year to year in the same institution? Look over the volumes of any one of them and you again have the answer. Succeeding numbers of an aunual are all stamped with a college physiognomy that is as easily recognized as the face of an old friend. The four year limits of a college generation likewise allows the editors to move in a regular cycle with only the injunction not to get back to the starting point again in less than four years. This cycle, however, is a progressive one, for on the whole the annual is a more representative publication than it once was. Students' brain and wit were as well trained and sharp ten and twenty years ago as now, but the editor of today has the experience of his predecessors by which to profit.

The college annual as an institution is now forty years old. It is a feature characteristic of the principal colleges of the country, and every college whose student body is loyal, loves its alma mater, desires to see college spirit grow in its midst, and to build up and cherish traditions characteristic of its institution, should see that it has such a publication. The book need not necessarily be bulky, magnificently illustrated, or bound in a novel and expensive way. Such things are not the sine qui non of an annual. In fact, the attempt to keep up expensive features has made the appearance of some only occasional, when they should be in fact as in name, annual.

In the colleges of Phi Delta Theta, where the book is not yet published, we trust that our chapters will endeavor to bring about its publication, for by so doing they will not only make the institution better known among its fellows but will also foster a new and growing college

spirit and pride among its students.



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The following is a list of the annuals issued from  $\Phi \triangle \Theta$ colleges, those that are included in this review being marked with an asterisk:

\*RECENSIO. Miami. \*Ouiatenon, Wabash. BADGER, Wisconsin. \*Syllabus, Northwestern. DRIFT, Butler. \*BIJOU, Ohio Wesleyan. Crow, Hanover, \*PALLADIUM, Michigan. \*MIRAGE, De Pauw. \*ATHENA, Ohio. INDEX, Missouri. GALE, Knox. \*PANDORA, Georgia. \*ZODIAC, Emory. MERCERIAN. Mercer. INDEX, Wooster. CORNELLIAN, Cornell, MELANGE, Lafayette. Blue and Gold, California. \*CORKS AND CURLS, Virginia. BUCHTEL, Buchtel. Sombrero, Nebraska. \*Spectrum, Penn'v'a College.

\*Comet, Vanderbilt. \*Souvenir Echo. Illinois Wesl'n. LOMBARD, Lombard. KALDRON, Allegheny. \*ARIEL, Vermont. \*MICROCOSM. Dickinson. \*GOPHER, Minnesota, \*HAWKEYE, *Iowa*, \*Quivira, Kansas. CAP AND GOWN, South. \*MAKIO, Ohio State. \*RECORD, Pennsylvania. GARNET, Union. \*ORACLE, Colby. COLUMBIAD, Columbia. AEGIS, Dartmouth. HELLENIAN, North Carolina. GULIELMENSIAN, Williams. \*Onondagan, Syracuse. EPITOME, Lehigh. Olio, Amherst. LIBER BRUNIENSIS, Brown. \*Debris, Purdue.

PANDORA, Washington and Jefferson. In addition to this list the universities of Alabama and

Texas both published volumes for the first time this last year, the names of which are unknown to us, and Leland Stanford University has in preparation the first number of her publication, which will hereafter appear annually.

" Mother of statesmen, greeting from the younger ones, Who proudly hail thee, honored of the earth. A thousand moons have waned and twice ten thousand suns Since grand Miami's timely honored birth. What throngs have gathered at thy delphic shrine, The kings of men or masters of mild mirth.

Miami's name, a charm throughout the West; A passport fair, a promise of success, Thy sons in art and science, all addressed, To comfort, cheer, command, or yet to bless. May we who follow emulate the best, Bring honors more and never love thee less."

Such is the "ode" which opens the *Recensio*, revived by Miami students after the lapse of twenty-one years, and prefaces a book that is creditable to the University. Bound in white board cover, we find on opening that it is dedicated to John W. Herron, President of the Board of Trustees; that it contains portraits of Mr. Herron, President W. O. Thompson, Benjamin Harrison, Whitelaw Reid, Calvin S. Brice, Thomas Millikin, R. H. Bishop, Ir., Samuel F. Hunt and Alston Ellis, of whom Harrison, Bishop and Ellis are sons of Ohio Alpha; also plates showing the university buildings, various editorial boards student publications, fraternity chapters, athletic teams, campus views, and the two female colleges located in Oxford. The fraternities in order are  $B \odot \Pi$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \odot \Delta$ K E and X X. An interesting cut is the one reproducing the bust of Dr. R. H. Bishop, first president of Miami, made by Hiram Powers in 1845.

The volume shows that Miami students of today are possessed of the warm college spirit which made the university famous in times past, and that although not so large in numbers, they maintain a full quota of social, lit-

erary, athletics and musical organizations.

The Record for 1893, besides being the book of the college year '92-'93, records the individual class history of '93 from its freshman year to its commencement and class day exercises. Opening the book, we find three Phis on its board of eleven editors, that three of the five class officers were Phis, and that since the class matriculated in 1889, ten Phis have been enrolled among its members. The class History, Prophecy, Poem and Ivy Ode are given in full and make interesting reading for Pennsylvanians. The illustrations are exceedingly numerous. The frontispiece is a portrait of Prof. Spangler, the efficient head of the school of mechanical and electrical engineering, for whose department a fine building was erected last year. The half-tone groups include the class of '93, '93's base ball and foot ball teams, Mask and Wig Club, Pennsylvania and Courier boards, Philo Society, Banjo Club, Glee Club, Univ'y Orchestra and the university base ball, foot ball and athletic teams. The cartoon cuts are strikingly "collegiate" in make-up and make many good hits. Many of these are by Brother Wilford, to whom no little credit should be given for his excellent work. From the very numerous cartoons on members of the Faculty. we would judge that it is well that *Record* editors are at

the end of their college course, else retaliation would be indulged in by the much cartooned faculty members. The fraternity lists appear in an arbitrary order, whereas heretofore they have been given in the order of establishment. The order this year runs,  $\Delta \Psi$ ,  $\Psi \Upsilon$ ,  $Z \Psi$ ,  $\Phi K \Sigma$ ,  $\Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Phi K \Psi$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $A T \Omega$ ,  $K \Sigma$  and  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ .

These lists form the last of the regular contents of the volume.

Though not one among the oldest of college annuals, the *Comet* has made for itself an honorable place on the list, and the stability of the last several numbers has been creditable to Vanderbilt. Volumes II. and III. of this publication were mere reprints of plates from the first issue. The one before us is gotten up in as attractive style as its immediate predecessor, and the contents show the prevalence of the same enthusiastic Vanderbilt spirit, of which there was such a revival two years ago. Some very attractive views from the campus are given; these, with two exceptions, having been taken when the campus had a heavy dress of snow.

L. C. Garland's name heads the faculty list as Chancellor, and this is the last time we will so see it. Dr. J. H. Kirkland's name will hereafter head the list, he having been elected to the vacancy caused by Dr. Garland's resignation. The recapitulation of students shows the enrollment at Vanderbilt to be 733, or deducting those in the professional departments, 290.

The fraternity lists are accompanied by chapter groups, that of  $\Delta$  K E containing 25, while the  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$  plate is adorned by a lonely group of 3. The  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  list, besides the chapter group, gives a print of the Tennessee Alpha lodge. There is the usual abundance of miscellaneous groups and cuts.

In 1889 THE SCROLL was favored with a copy of Volume I of *Debris*, from Purdue. In the review published in the October issue of that year may be found mention of the book. We desire to say here again what was said there—"The *Debris* is a good annual." The heavy volume before us, bound in solid black board, with letters in gold, opens up one of the most interesting of student publications. The mechanical part of the book is without flaw. Most of the illustrations are in photogravure. It opens with a portrait of Amos Haivelon, a recent benefactor of the university.

"He sought not praise of men,
But in their aid he toiled and gave.
Yet afterward will hammer's ring,
The whirr of swiftly moving wheels
And ceaseless toil
Sing of his name.
The walls toward which his bounty gave
Will stand a noble monument,
That all may know
The rugged mold in which his Maker cast
Was filled with purest gold."

The "Retrospect" speaks satisfactorily of the year. The Haivelon Laboratories, in construction, it is claimed, will be the most extensive mechanical engineering buildings in the country. In addition to the regular \$30,000 maintenance fund the Legislature appropriated \$50,000 for buildings. In athletics Purdue holds the state championship, and her foot ball team defeated the Chicago. Wisconsin, Michigan and Illinois University teams by heavy scores. Therefore Purdue shakes hands with herself. Photogravure process gives us portraits of Winthrop E. Stone, Ph. D., Professor of Chemistry; Dr. Joseph C. Arthur, Professor of Botany; a group "The New Professors"; Campus views; Senior class; *Debris* editors, and Athletic teams. The fraternity lists are each accompanied by half chapter groups. The Editor-in-chief, Literary Editor and Business Manager of the book are all Phis. No annual of those received this year surpasses it in general excellence.

The Colby Oracle had to travel a long distance before it reached THE SCROLL, and the postal department had to carry a good, heavy bundle in order to get it here, for Maine is "away down East" and the Oracle is certainly bulky. However, a perusal of the Oracle is not without warm interest. Facing page 141 is a portrait of a man who probably of all men this country has produced has been brought face to face with the warmest love and bitterest and cordial hatred of a large part of his countrymen-Benjamin F. Butler, Colby, '38. The portrait is from an oil painting presented to the college by General Butler in 1889. A ten page biography follows. There are altogether 250 pages of the Oracle outside of advertisements and photogravure plates, and we cannot attempt to enumerate its contents. Fraternity groups are among the first contents of the book, and are supplemented by a group of the non-fraternity men of the

school, who, alas, are reduced to fifteen. The A T  $\Omega$  list shows but two sophomores and one freshman. The total enrollment for the past year has been 206. Of these, 65 were members of the co-ordinate (ladies) department of Colby. The frontispiece is an excellent portrait of B. L. Whitman, Brown, '87, who has just completed his first year as President of Colby and under whom the college prospers as never before. An interesting plate is another

showing members of the Faculty.

Until we read the preface, we thought the Athena for 1893 was the first annual published by Ohio University students, but from that we learn that this is Volume II. For a long while Ohio U. has seen what has been called the commencement annual, but the class of '92 issued the first regular book entitled to the dignity of an annual. The volumes are edited by the senior class. The one before us, while not enjoying the best paper and binding, has what is better when it comes to a choice—well edited contents and good illustrations. It opens with an interesting article—"Ohio University: The Past, the Present." From 1804 up to the present time the college has had eight presidents. Many a school child has reason to remember the one of from 1839 to 1848, Dr. Wm. McGuffey, whose school readers were once so well known. Dr. C. W. Super, of Dickinson and Tuebingen, has been president since 1883. The college classes number 19, 13, 19 and 30 members respectively, while more than 200 are enrolled as special, unclassified and preparatory. The illustrations show "University View," Electrical Engineering Laboratory, Biological Laboratory, portrait of President Super, Faculty, Senior class and fraternity groups. The plate of Ohio Gamma shown in this number is from the Athena.

"Volume I, Edited by the Students of Emory College" under a pictorial "Zodiac" is the title page of the first annual publication from Emory. Like many others, its editors have found it not difficult to find matter for this first issue, but to properly select from the abundance available was the troublesome question. This has been done in a manner creditable to Emory. The volume does not make the pretensions to elegance that older ones do, but it is a product of student thought and student enterprise. The cartoons, while crude, are full of college life. "Mephistophelean Ethics" is one showing that Emory and Georgia University like to spar occasionally. The writing under this sketch is:

"Ye Georgia University Sport—Come, your majesty, and go with me.

Devil—Do you think I have no regard for my morals?"

Likewise another cut showing the State university buildings on bended knees apologizing to the president of Emory. The class lists and fraternity chapter rolls are accompanied by the usual steel plates and some sixteen half-tone plates embellish the book. Of those showing student organizations we would pass the same criticism made by the Rainbow, i. e., upon the too ostentatious manner in which fraternity badges are displayed upon coat breasts and lapels. Besides their more conspicuous position, we believe that, except the Phi badges, these Georgian patterns are above the average in size, so that some of the plates impress one as though the picture was meant to display the badge, and, incidentally, the owner had to be behind it.

We trust the Zodiac will receive attention at Emory through many years to come and continue the work so well begun. The college numbers 204 students and enrolls chapters of X  $\Phi$ , K A,  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$ ,  $\Sigma$  N,  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$ , A T  $\Omega$ , and  $\Sigma$  A E.

Exquisite in mechanical work, it is not necessary to analyze our compliments on this part of the Palladium. The first plate of the book is a gravure group showing President Angell and the Deans of the several departments of the university. Immediately following it is another of nine Faculty members, the two making a distinguished list. Later in the book is the portrait of Volney M. Spaulding, Professor of Botany at Michigan since 1886. With the numerous class, fraternity, athletic and other organizations, much of the *Palladium* is necessarily sta-However, its literary selections are always gems, and this year this feature, while with comparatively few selections, surpasses that of any other annual review-There is much humor in the article "Hempl-um," a take-off on Prof. Hempl, and in "A Kneipe of the Gods." In "Northern Michigan," "Sonnet" and "A Song" are poetical gems. The Palladium owes much of its elegance to the well executed sketches which illustrate the various lists and contributions. These with photogravure plates make its pages highly artistic. This is the first *Palladium* for many years in which all the fraternities of the literary department are represented on its editorial board.

The Spectrum comes not with all the colors of the rainbow, but with a most striking combination of two—orange and blue. We find them not only on the cover, but also on the title page as well. Facing the motley combination in these colors is a most charming view of the entrance to the college grounds. The book abounds in half-tones -Board of editors, President McKnight, college buildings, the junior class, "'94 composite," Phrenakosmian Hall, base ball, foot ball, Glee Club, Banjo Club, Mandolin Club, and lastly a plate of the monument erected on the Gettysburg field to Company "A," 26th Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteer Militia, all appearing in the order named. The college feels just pride in this monument, as the Company to whose memory it was erected was composed with but few exceptions of students of Pennsylvania College. The artistic work in the book is abundant and abounds in good spirit, but is not of high order in execution. The enrollment of the college proper is 161, in addition to which there are 49 preparatory students. The volume had a Phi for editor-in-chief. Bro. B. R. Lantz.

The Ouiatenon has made for itself by its character for the past three years a reputation for dainty elegance. It has thoroughly excluded that which could in any sense be considered objectionable. Its artistic features continue to be marked, and while the amount of literary matter this year is very small and contains little of special note, yet there is none that is out of place. The frontispiece is a group of the Board of Editors. The volume is dedicated to Dr. George S. Burroughs, President, who came to Wabash last fall from Amherst, and his portrait is given. He was born at Waterloo, N. Y., in 1855, graduated from Princeton with the highest honors of the class in 1873. He had been Professor of Biblical History and Interpretation at Amherst since 1886. A feature of the book is an original etching of the Wabash campus and buildings. The fraternities each have inserted their chapter groups. "His Suit" is a three paragraph poem, the respective paragraph endings being "And warmly pressed his suit," "And then she pressed his suit," and "The tailor pressed his suit." "Co-education turned their heads" appears under a half-tone group of young ladies whose backs have been presented to the camera.

Quite the reverse of the one just mentioned is the *Hawkeye*, from Iowa State. The *Ouiatenon* was nicely covered and bound, the *Hawkeye* is not. The *Ouiatenon* is tastily printed, the *Hawkeye* is not. The *Hawkeye* is

bulky with its many pages of class, department, literary, athletic and fraternity statistics, and contains an abundance of that which is interesting to read, but it cannot be denied that it is not quite so pleasant to look upon as that which is served with greater care and has had better service with printer and binder. It is the beauty and art displayed in the buildings as well as in the exhibits that has made the Columbian Exposition the admirable achievement that it is. So, too, the editors will serve their constituents more successfully who pay attention to the form in which they record their work. The Hawkeye is abundantly supplied with illustrations in photogravure, and it is in these that the chief energy has been spent. These cover portrait of Dr. Samuel Calvin (to whom dedicated), Board of Editors, University grounds and building, Faculties in Science, Arts, Law, Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy and Homeopathy, athletic and foot ball eleven. The cartoon cuts are well drawn, but are poorly made and printed. In short, the editorial work is good, but a reduction in the pages, with better paper, printing and binding would work a marvelous improvement in the result. Five Phis, including the editor-in-chief, are on its board.

Externally the Bijou is a reproduction of the '89 Palla-Bound on the narrow margin and covered with flexible, unfinished leather, it is stamped in its college colors, red and black, "O. W. U. Bijou, '94." Within it is group, group, and group everywhere and almost every-The first plate is of Drs. Williams, Merrick and McCabe, who have been with Ohio Wesleyan from its inception, and whom the Bijou is pleased to call "the solid foundation of our great university." The Faculty group shows some new faces, among these is that of E. G. Conklin, Ph. D., Professor of Biology, who is doing famous work in his field. The new "University Hall and Gray Chapel" which was dedicated free from debt last commencment, which secured for the university three new professorships, each endowed for \$30,000, also is given. Following these are student groups without number, the fraternities giving portrait groups instead of the old time engravings. All these illustrations are in the best of photogravure work. The cartoon work is excellent, a good part of this having been done by a Phi, Harrold, '92. The Bijou cost \$1,750, and with a Phi, E. L. Whitney, for business manager, it easily paid for itself and had a balance of some \$300 left over.



NEW YORK ALPHA CHAPTER, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

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We are not called upon to use any of our old adjectives in expressing admiration for the Makio this year. Heretofore it has ranked at the top among the Scroll's comers, but if any one expected a better Makio because its publication was held over until fall from the preceding spring, they were disappointed on its appearance last winter. The book is much below what it has been for a a number of years, not only in make-up but in contents as well. The frontispiece is a portrait of Dr. Edward Orton, "whose services in behalf of Ohio State University have rendered his name inseparable from its history.' Besides the editorial board, the only other illustrations are of the base-ball and foot-ball teams. Each of the fraternity lists are accompanied by interesting historical sketches of the fraternities concerned, these on the part of two or three being inclined more towards the Sophomoric than the accurate. The Faculty enrolls many more names than in previous years, a number having been added in the regular departments as warranted by increased endowment and equipment, and a law depart-

ment having been established.

The Quivira is a modest and pleasing publication that mes from the University of Kansas. We think we have comes from the University of Kansas. seen in times past one or two books from Kansas under the names of Cicala and Kikabe. The present book gives no number, so we presume it is Volume I. It seems to us wise for a university to get a name for its annual and to hold to it, and also for each one to bear its volume number. How else can it build a name for itself and its institution? The Quivira is not elaborate, but is tastily gotten up. Among its illustrations are the several university buildings, with interior views, interesting animal groups from the museum of Natural History, the Board of Regents, individual portraits of all the members of the Faculty, the Glee Club, foot-ball champions, base-ball team and editors of the Courier. Among the Faculty members we find V. L. Kellogg and E. C. Franklin of Kansas Alpha, and H. F. Jones of Massachusetts Beta. In the fraternity lists we find no illustrations save a steel plate with the  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$ , and this one of E. A. Wright's homeliest. While the old time engraving of fraternity lists has been railed at, we miss it when there is nothing to replace it, and the Quivira gives neither the chapter roll or history of the several fraternities represented there; nothing save the name and active membership.

Out of a total of nine elections to  $\Phi$  B K, three were to  $\Phi$   $\Phi$ 's, and to  $\Sigma \Xi$  (Scientific Honorary) five out of sixteen. The new McCook athletic field, shown in illustra-

tion, has greatly aided athletics at Kansas.

At the University of Minnesota rests the championship of the Northwest in foot ball, her team having defeated Michigan, Wisconsin and Northwestern. The Gopher, of course, devotes no little space to foot ball and athletic matters, and among the numerous athletic plates the face of Brother W. C. Leary, foot-ball captain 1892, base-ball catcher 1892, and foot-ball association president for 1893, appears often. But progress in athletics is only one part of that which characterizes everything at the University of Minnesota. Established in 1888, and graduating a class of three, her law department now enrolls 280 students. The total for the university in all departments is 1623, 852 of these being in the science, arts, and engineering courses. The portraits of the Juniors in all departments are given in this book. The frontispiece is a portrait of Judge Greenleaf Clark, of St. Paul, a graduate of Dartmouth, '55, one of the Board of Regents. Very interesting as showing the complete equipment of the university are the plates showing the several buildings, with interior views grouped about each one. Among other good features are two full page cartoons, one depicting in drawings the several fraternities, the other in which these fraternities as variously attired hob-goblins or "Brownies," are perched about the bed of the sleeping freshman. The time-honored verdancy of the freshman vear is remembered by using green ink in printing the '96

A goat, in silver, brouses upon the red cover of what proclaims itself the *Microcosm*. Sir Capricornus thus guards entrance into the realms of  $\Phi K \Psi$ ,  $\Sigma X$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $\Theta \Delta X$  and  $\Sigma A E$ , for the introduction tells us that the Junior class, which had heretofore issued the annual, found itself involved in such difficulties as made it impossible for it to make the output, so the Dickinson chapters of the above named fraternities joined in its publication. The editorial board therefore did not include representatives from  $B \Theta II$  and  $A Z \Phi$ , local.  $X \Phi$  has surrendered her charter at Dickinson and is found no more in the list. The book is a gem of printing, has been well edited and is a credit to the college. The book is dedicated "To Our Senior Professor, Dr. Charles F. Himes, A Repre-

sentative Fraternity Man," a graduate of Dickinson, '55, and his portrait appears opposite the dedication. The handsome face of the President, G. E. Reed, again prefaces the Faculty list, and half-tones of the several college buildings appear at intervals through the book. The one group plate is of the "College Orchestra." The following may interest foot ball men:

"Arthur's arm was still around her; Several minutes had gone by Since the first kiss had been given, And he'd sworn for her to die. "Darling," gently lisped the maiden, Red as roses grew her face: "If you never loved another, How then learned you to embrace?" Joyously he pressed her to him, Whispering in her ear with haste: "Foot ball trainers, while at college, Made us tackle 'round the waist."

To continue quotations and to give one of higher inspiration, we give the *Onondagan's* "Syracuse University Invocation":

"Majestic swells the graceful hill From Onondaga's vale, Where wisdom builded altars grand; Whence learning scatters o'er the land The Delphic fire, no human hand Or kindled, or may kill.

Here, gracious God, the truth unveil!
May faith and fact agree!
Equip brave men in armor bright;
Prepare fair women for the fight—
May Might henceforth give way to Right,
Nor error more prevail!

Majestic swells the graceful hill
Where learning has her throne!
Where voice of land and tongue of sea
And Mind and Heart in symphony
Praise God from whom all blessings be
In mighty multitone!"

This, Volume X, of the *Onondagan*, strikes into little that is new over its predecessors, but contains much that is interesting. Wm. H. Mace, Professor of History and Political Science, is given the portrait and Biography "of honor." A number of original drawings are worthy of mention as being a little out of the beaten path. The cut

prefacing the list of fraternities is truly Greek in conception, rather than the usual hob-goblin or goat affair. represents Pallas Athena (our patron goddess), while in the background appear the Greek temples. drawn by Brother Coons of New York Epsilon. year, each fraternity presents a historical sketch. ΦK Ψ sketch is this: "Among the host of prominent members we merely mention the following," and of the six names mentioned, four are of purely honorary members, leaving two bona fide  $\Phi \Psi$ 's as named from the "host." In the several groups of the book the faces of Phis are frequent, and a Phi, W. W. Nichols, is editor-in-chief of the volume.

When the reviewer opened the Vermont Ariel his eye was caught by a portrait which at once arrested him. was a face, young, scholarly, noble and sympathetic. led us to read the biography which told us that the portrait was of James Marsh, fifth President of U. V. M. Born in 1794, he graduated from Dartmouth in 1817. Elected to the Presidency of Vermont in 1826, he accepted the position which five years before he had refused to be a candidate. He was President of the University until his death in 1842. He was especially distinguished in the field of philosophical discussion, and the writer of this biography, Prof. H. A. P. Torrey, of the U. V. M., says "it is no disparagement of the great services which others have rendered, if we speak, as we must, of President Marsh, as the intellectual founder of the University of Vermont." \* \* \* This volume sustains the good name the Ariel has won for itself and is as attractive as in the past. This year its pen sketches are unusually vivacious, touching every phase of college life and every organization, always bright in idea, pleasing in tone and well executed. Several of the short contributed poems are gems, the editors having offered a prize for the best verse. To the list of fraternities, K ∑ has been added. majority of her membership is from the Agricultural Department, from which classes the other fraternities do not draw. The book is well supplied with half-tones.

The Mirage, the Junior Annual of De Pauw University. very likely stirred up some Indiana politics last fall, for there was division in its support for the present issue. In the list of fraternities the only mention made of  $\Delta$  K E,  $\Phi$  $\Gamma \Delta$ ,  $\Delta T \Delta$  and  $\Delta Y$  is on a page in which their names appear under the head "Other Fraternites." The remain

ing fraternities have co-operated as usual with the class, and while the volume lacks some of the striking features of its immediate predecessors, it is a very creditable production in honor of "Old De Pauw." We rather like the steady-going annual whose stability we can depend upon from year to year, rather than the pyrotechnic kind, which outdoes itself one year and comes down the next. The "Mirage" verse with which the book opens, is good. John Clark Ridpath, the Historian, has written a good jubilee hymn for De Pauw. The literary merit of the book rests in its "Columbian Review," "De Pauw Presidents," "At the Beginning" (a poem by Minnetta T. Taylor) and "Reminiscences," all of which are more than worthy of a place in the annual, becoming more valuable as the book grows older. The Faculty, Junior class, the supporting fraternities and numerous organizations appear in half-tone groups, while interesting bits of college and Greencastle scenery are given likewise. Brother F. W. Foxworthy was the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  representative on the Board.

When the new Faverweather Gymnasium is completed and if the designed new "Memorial Arch," as shown in the Corks and Curls, is built, the University of Virginia will have two very notable additions to the beauty and attractions of her campus. According to Corks and Curls the plans for the former as shown have been adopted. It will be "easily the finest building of its kind south of the Potomac, and while it has not the marble and luxurious appointments of some of the larger structures, yet so far as utility is concered it is second to none." description which follows, verifies the claims made for it. "The University's Famous Sons" speaks at length of Edgar Allan Poe, Robert Mercer T. Hunter, Robert Toombs, Dr. James L. Cabell, Henry Woodfin Grady, John A. Broadus and Richard Bennett Hubbard. The book is issued by the fraternities of the University, but like the Mirage this year, it suffered a division in support, ten of the eighteen fraternities withdrawing. Delta Theta is represented by Arthur T. McCormack.

For the sixth time Georgia University has sent forth a Pandora box. Its editors give the reader a key:

"This is the key, dear reader, that unlocks The mystic lid of fair Pandora's box, From which of old escaped those earthly ills Whose fittest sequel is in doctor's bills. This is the key—but when the lid you ope Heaven grant you find there some faint ray of hope To cheer you, as it hath in other ages, And light your way through these degenerated pages.

If the adage were "Handsome does as handsome is." we would have assurance that this Pandora was good. certainly is an album of handsome faces, from the Board of Editors through the excellent fraternity groups to the musical, dramatic and athletic associations. With what pleasure Georgia students must have received this chastly printed volume when they remember the flimsy way in which Volume X was gotten out. From the Emory Zodiac we learned that the State university was humbly begging pardon for some affronts to Dr. Candler, President, and Emory College. From the Pandora we learn that "'Brer' Candler tries to 'jump' on the university, but Mrs. Felton disapproves and chastises him accordingly," and the illustration reproduces both of these allegations as well as the sketch artist is able. Thus we are left to conjecture. While the *Pandora's* literary features are practically none, yet it is tastily edited and ranks among the best of annuals.

The Wesleyan Echo is the regular weekly publication of Illinois Wesleyan University, which during the past year was under the sole management of Brother Archie L. Bowen. Together with Brother W. B. Merrill, he issued in June the Souvenir Echo, which it is hoped will become an annual feature at I. W. U. The edition before has unfortunately preserved its newspaper page, 16 x 11, making it out of the style of ordinary annuals. Its twenty-four pages are meant to "boom" the I. W. U. and its organi-The biographical sketches are too much on the order of "County History" sketches—you pay the fee, and get a good write up. The illustrations are worthy of any annual, and are excellently printed. They include the main college building, the three men's fraternities—  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  and  $\Sigma X$ ; and the two ladies' societies—K K  $\Gamma$ and K A 0; the ball team, and 63 portraits of members of faculty, alumni, students, and friends of the university. From this start the I. W. U. ought to inaugurate a regular annual, and much credit belongs to Brothers Bowen and Merrill for their work.

A syllabus is a great aid to the comprehension of any exhaustive review, and the Scroll's review of annuals will close with the Northwestern Syllabus. That it is a

good one for Phis is vouched for in that it has a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ editor-in-chief, and two associate Phi editors. torial which follows the editorial likenesses calls attention to the fact that the preceding numbers of the Syllabus have been issued by the several fraternities, but that at the beginning of last year they relinquished all claims to the publication, and Volume IX appears under the auspices of the Junior class. It is pleased to present to the students the likenesses of nearly all of the university professors, quite an undertaking when it is understood that from all departments 131 portraits are given. The frontispiece is of President H. W. Rogers, in Oxford cap and gown. Under the head of "Trustees and Alumni," appear some sixty portraits and biographical sketches, among which we find several Phis. Illinois Alpha enrolls ten resident members in Evanston, four in the city professional departments and thirteen undergraduate actives. The other fraternities are ΣΧ, ΦΚΣ, ΒΘΠ, ΦΚΨ, ΔΥ and T K  $\Phi$  (local).  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$  was established in the spring, but as yet is not represented in the Syllabus. To these can be added five ladies' societies and five societies in the professional schools. The 'calender" of the year is good, and besides being historical, contains many "hits." In it are a goodly number of references to  $\Phi \triangle \Theta$  and to Phis.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

Almost all the reports of the Historians of the General Council have called attention to one fact, the tardiness of the majority of the Chapter Historians in filling out and returning their reports to the H. G. C. The past year has been no exception to this rule, and the table accompanying this report is not as full as it would have been had some of the Chapter Historians been more prompt. A perusal of the table however will show that the Fraternity continues prosperous and in many respects has gained over previous years. A new form of Historian's report enables additional information to be obtained of a nature not before attempted, such as degrees taken, number of badges, condition of the chapters with respect to chapter houses, etc.

The total membership of the Fraternity amounts to something over 7,259, the exact figures not being obtainable on account of the failure of one chapter to send in a complete report. We now have one more active chapter on our rolls than we had last year, New York Delta having been reorganized and placed on a firm basis during the year; and two more alumni chapters have been added to our list, Ohio Gamma Alumni at Cleveland, and Massachusetts Alpha Alumni at Boston. There has been a slight increase in the number of initiates and also in the number retired over last year, and an increase of about 35 in the number attendant on April 1, '93, over the number reported for the previous April. The attendants on April 1st have increased from 617 in 1883, to 844 in 1886. 948 in 1889, and has now reached considerable over 1,000. For the first time we have a report on the number of degrees taken during the year and the number of badges in the chapter. By the table we find that only 41 per cent, of those who left the chapter took a degree and that only about 50 per cent. of the active members of the Fraternity have badges. Still a total of over 500 badges scattered over the country makes a very good showing for Phi Delta Theta and ought to give the outside world some idea of our strength. The report on chapter houses s quite encouraging, showing two chapters owning their houses and twelve others occupying larger or smaller rented houses. It is noticable that both of the chapters owning their houses are Southern chapters and both are in the same State, Tennessee.

The average number attendant, retired and initiated per chapter varies but little from last year, the average attendance now being about 15 against 14.77 last year. When we compare the results by provinces we find some changes. As usual Alpha Province comes first in the number attendant, initiated and retiring, and Delta Province makes the smallest show in all three. Delta Province also took but one degree among the four men retiring, but as she has but four chapters her comparative showing is not so bad. The larger chapters, as heretofore, are mainly in the East, though the South makes a very good showing with Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee; and Indiana has a couple of chapters much above the average in numbers. It is gratifying to find also that in two chapters, Vermont Alpha and Massachusetts Beta, every member possesses a badge, while in several others,



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notably New Hampshire Alpha, Rhode Island Alpha, Pennsylvania Zeta and Michigan Gamma, but few of the members are without badges. There are quite a number of chapters however that report a very small proportion of their members owning badges, and one chapter indeed reports no badges at all. I hope that this is an oversight on the part of the Historian however, as a chapter without a single badge among its members is certainly lacking in fraternity spirit. Two chapters, Ohio Alpha and Illinois Alpha report men below the Freshman class. Whether these chapters have deliberately violated the rule of the Fraternity against initiating preparatory students, or whether their courses of study are planned to occupy more than the regular four years, I have not been able to ascertain; but it appears on the face of the reports to be a violation of the rule on which the Fraternity has made a very decided stand.

In conclusion, the Fraternity exhibits the same sound, healthy growth in every respect that has marked it for some time past. Our chapter list is probably the largest of any fraternity, and our active membership, if not already the largest, is very close to that point. We have reached a position where new chapters will be admitted only when they can show that they will be a very decided gain to the Fraternity. Our internal condition is harmonious and the principle work for the chapters and members is in promoting in the future as they have in the past, the internal improvement of the Fraternity, and thereby keep Phi Delta Theta in the position she now occupies as the Fraternity par excellence of American colleges.

DWIGHT N. MARBLE, H. G. C.

Boston, Oct. 2, 1893.

[See Statistical Tables on next page."

# TABLE SHOWING CHAPTERS, NUMBERS, ETC.

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Chapter.	Attendant. Initiated and Affliated.	Retired.	Degrees Taken.	Number of Badges.	Halls or Chapter Houses Occupied.				
Maine Alpha N. H. Alpha Vermont Alpha Mass. Alpha R. I. Alpha N. Y. Alpha N. Y. Beta N. Y. Delta N. Y. Epsilon Penn. Alpha Penn. Beta Penn. Esta Penn. Eta Va Alpha Va Beta Va Gamma Va. Beta N. C. Beta Ky. Alpha Ky. Delta Ca Alpha Ky. Delta Ca Alpha Ca Beta Ca Gamma Tenn. Alpha Tenn. Alpha Tenn. Beta Ala. Alpha Ala. Beta Ala. Gamma	19   739   11   123   8   26   8   8   12   12   4   13   4   4   16   6   6   10   6   13   13   7   8   6   6   6   8   13   7   8   6   6   6   6   7   15   9   8   12   24   13   24   24   24   24   24   24   24   2	7 4 12 5 8 4 3 4 · .3 5 6 · 4 4 6 7 5 9 9 · · · 2 2 1 7 6 9 3 6 2 5 4 2	44556 32 831445425	$\frac{N}{37311322128}$ . $\frac{6559631237422328491395064}{11995064}$	Two rented rooms. Three rented rooms. Three rented rooms. Three rented rooms. Twelve room rented house. Fifteen room rented house. Two rented rooms. Three story rented house. Rented rooms in business block.  Seventeen room rented house. Suite of six rented rooms. One rented rooms. Three rented rooms. Three rented rooms. Three rented rooms. Thirteen room rented house. Two rooms given by college. Meets in private rooms. One rented room. Two rooms given by Faculty. Three rented rooms. One rented rooms. Come rented rooms. Two rooms given by Faculty. Three rented rooms. Cone rented rooms. Two rooms given by Faculty. Three rented rooms. Cone rented rooms. Two rooms given by Faculty. Three rented rooms. Two college rooms given by Faculty. Chapter owns a \$5,000 house. Three rented rooms. College room given by Faculty.				
Miss. Alpha La. Alpha Texas Beta Texas Gamma Ohio Alpha Ohio Beta Ohio Gamma	15 8 17 4 10 3 9 3 8 6 15 6	1 1 6 7	1  1 6	12 2 3 1 7	College room given by Faculty Two rented rooms.  Rented hall. Two rented rooms. Suite of four rented rooms. Four rented rooms.				

<sup>\*</sup> No report.

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PENNSYLVANIA DELTA CHAPTER, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

# TABLE SHOWING CHAPTERS, ETC.—CONCLUDED.

Ohio Delta	8 4 9	11	Two rented rooms
Ohio Ensilon	15 5 1		Two rented rooms. One rented room. Two rented rooms.
Ohio Zeta	15 9 3	110	Two rented rooms
Ind Alpha	24 10 6	9 1	Suite of three rented rooms
Ind Reta	15 0 5	5 1	Suite of three rented rooms
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Ind Dalta	910 19	' '	Two rented rooms
Ind Engilon	0 0 10	9	Suite of three rented rooms
Ind. Epsilon	90 4 7	-	Rented hall
Mich Alpha	16. 8 10	R 1	Suite of three rented rooms. Rented hall. Two story rented house. Three rooms furnished by college. Three rented rooms.
Mich Reta	11 5 1	01	Three rooms furnished by college.
Mich Camma	19 5 4	9 1	Three rented rooms
III Alpha	19:11		Suite of rented rooms
III. Nipila	9 9 9		AlSuite of four rented rooms
III. Encilon	19 4 9		1 Suite of rented rooms
III. Epsilon	15 3 10	1	Two college rooms given by Faculty
Wie Alpha	21 7 14	2 1	6 Three story rented house
Mo Alpha	19 9 10	1	Two rented rooms
Mo Reta	16 7 6	1	1 Two rented rooms
Mo. Gemma	18 8 9	Q	Two college rooms given by Faculty
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# EDITORIAL.

["The Ethics of Loyalty in Relation to Fraternity Journalism," a paper read at the Congress of Editors, Memorial Art Palace, Chicago, Ill., July 19, 1893.]

LOYALTY has ever been the shibboleth of the American College Fraternity. The first Fraternity had its origin in the firm loyalty to each other of a few chosen friends. The system, with its numerous branches has arisen through the loyalty of these fraternal circles to the one order whose name they have accepted, and whose badge they wear. Without it there is no fraternity, for loyalty is nothing more, and, again nothing less, than fidelity to the obligations assumed in forming fraternal ties. The courts do not deal with the vows of the candidate at the altar of a civic society, neither does the law lay hands on the one who disregards the oath he may have taken at such an altar. The statutes in no way measure the broken obligation or fix the penalty therefor.

But happily, however, the manhood which conceived these orders and furnishes their support, has raised a standard, coeval with their inception, by which the worthy and the unworthy, the true and the false, may be judged. That standard we not only know, but we likewise warmly cherish. It is the standard of loyalty.

Broadly but justly defined, Loyalty means devotion to all the obligations assumed by fraternity membership. It is scarcely necessary in such an assemblage as this to enumerate these obligations, which it will not be denied, include not only the promotion of the objects contemplated by the individual fraternity, but likewise, adherence to the welfare and associations of that society over and above that of all others. Not the one especially; not the other less imperatively; but to all—individually and collectively—an undivided loyalty.

Nor does it contemplate a dividing line, drawn at graduation, after which its burden is lessened. Its manifestation is not for the undergraduate alone, but for all time it is sought to have the expression of fraternal interest. Time removes the member from the field which gives frequent opportunity for such expression of his interest, but none the less when these opportunities are offered, should it be lacking. The ideal alumnus is he who stands ready, as he can, to counsel, aid and encourage the enterprises of each new college generation of his brothers. The young and old are to be sons of a common alma mater, whom each shall cherish with increasing measures as the days go by.

Loyalty can only be completely defined by an enumeration of the duties it entails upon the person. We have referred to those towards one's own order. But the principle upon which the best loyalty rests, demands, in addition to these virtues towards his fellows in the faith, that he should put the same lessons to use in all his associations. A careful study will convince any one that the obligations to his own entails a respectful recognition of the worthy merits and rights of similar orders. Any infringement of these rights is an infraction of the principle upon which the members of his own order stand in fraternal union.

No one will be so blinded as to claim that all Greek letter fraternities are exactly similar in character or of equal general merit. In policies, colleges entered, standards of membership, and other features they have differed widely. Even those which have held to similar policies will be found to rest on achievements far different in nature.

It is as natural that fraternities should vary in character, as that human nature should not be exactly the same in each individual. The philosophy of inequality has much to do in exciting the best powers of man. Through inequalities and therefore varied tastes, wants and powers—man develops his highest capabilities.

The student who to-day enters a typical and representative institution of learning finds chapters that to him vary in local prestige and merit, and that represent widely different policies on the part of their general fraternity. Certain virtues on his part may open the doors of all those to his choice. He is to judge not only of their general merits, but of the congenial atmosphere, he will find in each. This is the pre-requisite which it is assumed that every man who comes to the fraternity altar has fully considered and settled in his own mind. The fraternity and the chapter are entities before him, for his consideration. From the invitation to its acceptance he is supposed to have investigated—not so much the question of whether the fraternity system is based upon sound principles and embody good teachings—for the college man seldom debates this—but he seeks to decide whether the companionship offered him by this invitation will meet his desires for congeniality and prove helpful to him in social, scholastic and moral ways. We say that this is the question that every man must decide for himself, ere he crosses the fraternity threshold, and the decision once made his duty to himself, his obligation and his character demand that nothing but "cause" shall temper the loyalty entailed thereby.

The very first object of fraternity is to furnish a sure and sweet basis for the development of strong character. There should first be, intelligent choice of fraternity association, and subsequent to this the member's plain duty is to endeavor to make the fraternity better for his membership, and in turn to assimilate the privileges it may offer him that he himself may be the better man for its associations. For the furtherance of this object membership assumes a compact for mutual helpfulness, each to supplement the efforts of the other in a common endeavor to put into practice the precepts of the Order.

Should the fraternity or chapter fail in its compact what recourse has the member? If the member is lax to his obligations where does the duty of the fraternity lie? It is easy to quote rules where the fraternity and members live up to their mutual obligations, but the line of action is not so easily mapped out where difficulties have arisen.

We do not hold that fraternity ties can not be honorably dissolved, for we believe circumstances can arise making such dissolution proper. But we do hold that the supreme obligation of the candidate at the altar is summed up in the word loyalty. And through all the experiences of his fraternity life he who makes the best type of this virtue his guide, will not only develop the best grounded character on which he can build in later life, but will add to the benefit and pleasure of his fraternity ties.

Loyalty as a quality is instinctive in every person and enterprise, but its intensity is largely dependent on surroundings and teachings. We do not then have to ask what is the duty of the fraternity journal in regard to this question. Our only concern need be—how shall it best exert its influence for the development of the highest grade of the virtue.

It has not been with any intention of magnifying the importance of the editorial position that the papers of this congress have dwelt on the wide-reaching influence of the fraternity magazine upon the system, but rather under a sense of the responsibilities which the position must assume.

In the same spirit do we affirm that the fraternity journal where it exists has more to do with the loyalty of a member to his fraternity than any of its ritualistic, constitutional or official declarations. He is taught that the chapter is but a part of the fraternity idea. He can easily judge of the principles which guide his chapter, but for the general fraternity which lies beyond he looks to the journal as the index. And indeed as his chapter varies from the standard set by the journal, he is willing to believe that it is errant from the spirit of his order. If loyalty is a duty of the fraternity and of the member, it is then the duty of the journal to follow the course which will inculcate its highest standard.

By what means will this be best reached? We find it difficult to analyze what we consider the line of conduct which the ideal magazine should pursue, but under the

following heads have mentioned principles which seem to us to be applicable to the Greek press as a body.

First. There must be earnestness and sincerity in the work. He who conducts a fraternity journal must be of the firm belief that the fraternity system as it exists is a power for good in our colleges, and again, of the conviction that his own society is exerting an influence helpful to all within its fold, and that its associations are worthy of the very best, social, intellectual and moral elements of our students. Unless the magazine can be backed by the earnestness which comes from such convictions it can formulate little matter but what will be tincture I with formality and emptiness. The minister of cold heart, however rare his genius, can make few converts. The magazine can create little loyalty that is not itself thoroughly imbued with the ideas it would teach.

Second. Its policy must be broad and uniform. Any vacillating, fluctuating, weather vane policy not only weakens its influence, but in turn gives the stamp of instability to its order. For this reason the maturer hand is needed to control its destinies. From undergraduate the Greek press has gone to graduate control, and from raw recruits has turned to those of longer experience in general fraternity work. A member may have been most successful in chapter work, one whom the chapter may be pleased to call a model, yet until he has had experience in other lines of general work, and learned to harmonize the numerous influences at work beyond his chapter, the fraternity has not the assurance that he can justly represent the whole order, for the magazine must rise wholly above any prejudices which may be the relic of undergraduate rivalries.

Third. It must be Catholic in its recognition of the worthy merits of others. Fraternities as we have said, are not all equal, but that does not deny rights of competition. Where merit predominates over weakness it should be recognized—not in mere formality, but in the respect at all times due it, and again in the spirit in which the acquisitions of

its own order are mentioned. Two classes of men deserve pity: First, those who are not thoroughly proud of their own order; the other, those who conceive that their own is the only successful one.

Fourth. It must be devoted to truth and truth alone, if it would inspire a lasting loyalty to the order it represents. Any statements or claims into which the element of untruth enters, or any argument save what stands the searching test, is sure to rebound against the order it is meant to defend. The college fraternity is intrusted with the care of young manhood at its formative period when impressions are most easily made, and longest retained. Shall these organizations then promulgate anything save that which the truth commands. Will true character accept anything less, or cleave to a support so frail? Can the fraternity hope to retain the loyalty of the outgoing graduate whose yea or nay in years to come has much to do with the welfare of his order, if he has to look back to associations that worked out its ends in any but the ways of truth?

Fifth. It should insist on the maintenance of the highest code of ethics recognized by its order.

Human nature at its best is weak and liable to err, and if the journal, the criterion of the order—accepts less than the highest code, we must look for many miserable compromises on the part of the chapters when it comes to a question of ethics.

It has seemed to us that no greater breach is opened for the entrance of disloyalty than through the complaisance with which a journal may regard acts at variance with the accepted code of its order, which at the time may seem like acquisitions over a rival. The order which tabooes lifting and yet defends the occasional accession to its ranks in this manner, can not lay its (metaphorical) hand over its heart and cry "shame" when the treason it before justified is at its own expense.

The journal should be unwavering in its allegiance then to the code adopted by its own fraternity whatever that

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may be, hold fast to it and the duties it entails, being satisfied with nothing less. The code should be as solid as adamant until a better one was found. Respect for the law is the inspiration of prosperity. Its disregard is invitation to shame.

We are satisfied that harmonious views upon these lines and a determination on the part of each journal to enforce the standard of ethics of its order will have much to do with further elevating the code by which each shall strive to work out its chosen ends. Not by pan-hellenic constitutions or by-laws, but through the individual sense of honor, instinctive to each order.

Not only to the collegiate, so-called, barbarian host, but to all those who are interested in the college man of the present and future, the fraternity world must present a symmetrical front, for it will thrive in proportion to the confidence it receives from these. The Greek press has it in its power to present this symmetrical front. And finally it can give a richer legacy to the system, as a whole and as individuals, by furnishing food for contemplation of the achievements of virtue, rather than by dilating on individual differences and lapses from honor.

The National Convention of the Fraternity which was to convene with the New York Epsilon Chapter at Syracuse, N. Y., October 23, 1893, has, by decision of the General Council, been postponed to a date that will be named later. The official notice of this postponement, and the reasons therefor have been sent to the Chapters in the circular letter of the Secretary of the Council. To any who may not have been aware of this action, let this serve as notice of such postponement.

In view of this postponement of the National Convention, it would seem wise on the part of the Provinces in which bi-ennial conventions are held to change the date

of their next sessions so that they will meet this scholastic year. Epsilon Province has been meeting annually and will in her usual order meet next spring. Let the others, from Alpha to Zeta, at once set on foot movements looking toward sessions, and for these we would suggest the date of our Annual Alumni Day, March 15, as a particularly appropriate one. But whether or not this date should be selected let us have an inspiring series of Province and State Reunions, that in enthusiasm and enjoyment will recompense the Chapters for the absence of the expected National Convention this fall. We believe that the Chapters will enter heartily into the spirit of this plan and with the efficient leadership available in each one it cannot fall short of a full measure of success.

THE Fraternity has reason to feel well satisfied with the meeting of Phis from the several chapters, at Chicago, during the World's Fair season. At this time more than five hundred Phis have visised and registered their names at the headquarters so kindly furnished by the Boddie Brothers at the Great Western Hotel. This represents but a fraction of the whole number who have been visitors at the White City. The meeting of these Phis with one another has been most pleasant.

It was the good fortune of the SCROLL editor to be in Chicago during "Fraternity Week" and to meet there upwards of a hundred fellow Phi Delta Theta's.

At all the assemblages of greek letter men, the wearers of our badge were numerous, outnumbered by no others. What a pleasure it was to greet them! All such men as one likes to meet, such as he would have about him in all his associations if he had his own choosing.

It is inevitable that all these brothers must go back to their homes and their chapters with an increased sense of the privileges and worth of fellowship in Phi Delta Theta.

So FAR as they have come to us this year the reports of the opening of our chapters repeat the same good stories of '92, '91 and '90. It would seem that while a "panicky" money market has affected attendance in some quarters, it has crippled in none. The chapters enter upon the new year's work with the increased zeal that comes from the recollection of past Phi Delta Theta successes. Let the work of this year be carefully done so that rather than be marred, the past shall be improved upon. We have no doubt that strong delegations will be found in '97—such as will honor the Fraternity. Yet more than ever do we give the injunction that none but the companionable among men be sought. The men who to their intellectual capacity and moral worth have added the social graces that make them prized in all circles where the college man moves. Only the men whom we can take into our Phi homes, and with whom it will be a pleasure to meet and greet-to-day, tomorrow, here. anvwhere.

Such men, and such men only, by the precepts and traditions of the Fraternity, are entitled to our badge, and let the chapters see to it that every initiate is up to this standard. The badge of Phi Delta Theta is a synonyn for a gentleman and is a gift not to be lightly bestowed. And the more careful is the chapter in the exercise of its choice the easier will it be to secure those whom it desires. May the year see the realization of the many bright promises with which it opens!

# OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION.

From the Secretary of the General Council.

Circular letters have been sent to all the chapters, announcing the postponement of the convention, and it is hoped that the notification has reached all concerned without delay. On that occasion, as frequently before, I have been impressed with the desirability of permanent

chapter addresses—a fixed box or street number, that will not be changed at the end of every collegiate year, and to which mail may be safely sent, even in the summer vacation. The chapter can easily rent a certain box, whose key may belong to the reporter during the college session, and remain in the hands of some interested resident member in vacation time.

The members who were delegates-elect will naturally look on the postponement as a personal disappointment, but we hope they may be reconciled to make this sacrifice for the general good and that they will be with us when we do meet at Syracuse. That some may still believe it would have been expedient to hold the convention this fall is quite possible. The General Council, however, sought opinions from all quarters before deciding, and believe that the sense of the majority and the best interests of the Order and of New York Epsilon have been considered in deferring the convention. So soon as practicable and after the wishes of the Fraternity have been ascertained, the date of meeting will be fixed. The Secretary will be pleased to receive suggestions from the chapters on this point.

HUGH TH. MILLER, S. G. C.

Irvington, Ind., September 29.

# CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

## ALPHA PROVINCE.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The latter half of the spring term was filled with matters of unusual interest. Athletic affairs, of course, excited the more immediate interest of the students, and after months of the most faithful training, we wrested from Amherst the pennant in general athletics which she had held for the past three years. Bro. Claggett won first place in the 440 yards run, and Bro. Lyon followed his example in the 220 yards hurdles. We thus made a better showing than any other fraternity, securing ten out of Dartmouth's forty points. In base ball we were not so fortunate. Lack of captaining and training made a failure out of what might have been a champion team. Bro. Tuxbury, however, played first base without an error through the season.

Our commencement was an occasion of great interest, inasmuch as it witnessed the inauguration to the President's office of Prof. William Jewett Tucker of Andover. Dr. Tucker is a man of rare force and brilliancy and students and alumni feel that the new administration, aided as it is by additional resources of about \$700,000, and by an enlarged corps of instructors, will bring in an era of great prosperity for the old college.

On the commencement stage we were more prominent this year than ever before, Bro. Salls being awarded the Salutatory, Bro. Morrill a Philosophical Oration, Bro. McKenzie an English Oration, Bro. Redenbaugh a part in the Disputation and Bro. Kellar a Dissertation. On Class Day Bro. Gustin delivered the Introductory Address, and Bro. Caswell the address at the Old Chapel. Bro. Salls wrote the Ode. Special honors were awarded to Bro. Caswell in German, to Bro. Morrill in Greek and to Bro. Redenbaugh in Geology. Bro. Caswell also received half of the Modern Language prize. Honorable mention was given to Bro. Knowlton, '94, in French and to Bros. Rumery and Cleaveland, '95, in Latin. Bro. Rumery also received second Latin prize and Bro. Cleaveland second mathematical.

Our greatest advance during the past year has been in a literary way. Bro. Grover is managing editor of next year's Lit, and Bro. Knowlton one of the Senior editors, and the literary interest in the

society has been so general that almost every number of the Lit has contained one and usually several contributions from the brothers.

Our '93 delegation was so strong that we shall feel their loss greatly. We shall also have more competitors to encounter next year, as the Scientific School has been united with the college, and contains chapters of two general fraternities, which will immediately enter into rivalry with us. Of these, Beta Theta Pi has been established for a considerable time, and Sigma Chi entered this spring, initiating the members of the strong local society Phi Zeta Mu. But our undergraduate delegations are by no means weak and are ready to meet this additional competition with an increase of zeal and perseverence.

Yours in the Bond,

KENT KNOWLTON.

Hanover, Aug. 19, 1893.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

The fortunes of the University athletic teams last spring were, as usual, quite varied. At the Field Day of the New York State Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association at Utica, May 30, victory over our five rival colleges brought such joy to our students that two of them were arrested for disturbing the peace, but were quickly discharged on a promise to the Justice "never to do so again unless you whip some other one-horse colleges." In base ball we were not so fortunate, our team finishing near the foot of the list. Through the generosity of President Archbold of the Board of Trustees, improvements are being made to the athletic field, which, we hope, will render our teams more successful in the future than in the past.

New York Epsilon has always taken a prominent part in athletics and last spring proved no exception. Bond and Nichols represented us on the ball team and Brown and Warren are members of the track athletic team. At the Inter-Fraternity Tennis Tournament held during commencement Bond and Nichols were first in doubles and Nichols won first in singles.

C. N. Sims, LL. D., who has been Chancellor of the University for the past twelve years, placed his resignation in the hands of the Board of Trustees at their semi-annual meeting in June. After every effort to induce him to remain proved futile, the resignation was reluctantly accepted. To Chancellor Sims the credit for the advancement of the University during the past decade is almost entirely due, and his departure is sincerely deplored. J. R. French, LL. D., Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, is the acting Chancellor until the vacancy is filled.

Since our last letter the chapter has moved from its former location to a house in Waverly Place, better suited to its needs. Phis will always find the latch-string out at our new home as at the old one.

By graduation we lost three men, and as college does not open until Sept. 21, it is too early to predict our fortune in rushing. However, the fifteen Phis who will return this fall are a sufficient guarantee of our success.

Fraternally yours,

Syracuse, Sept. 6, 1893.

W. W. Nichols.

# PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

At the commencement exercises of Gettysburg College, Pennsylvania Beta again won new laurels for Phi Delta Theta. Some time during last year Bro. Clarence J. Reddig established the Reddig Junior Oratorical prize. Last June Bro. Reddig had the pleasure of seeing the prize captured by Bro. Benjamin R. Lantz, Bro. John S. English receiving honorable mention. Bro. Brallier was one of the first honor group of the graduating class and also salutatorian. Bro. Van Camp won the Hassles Latin prize, a gold medal, given to the best Latin scholar in the Junior class. Bro. Lantz was editor-in-chief of the Spectrum. He was also elected president of the athletic association.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL we have initiated into the chapter Bros. Maynard, English, Meisenberger and Eckels. Bro. Eckels is the son of Prof. G. M. D. Eckels, Sc. D., Principal of the Cumberland Valley State Normal School.

We lost by graduation this year, Bros. Brallier, Gettier and Leitzell. Bro. Brallier has been elected principal of the schools of Berlin, Somerset Co. Bro. Gettier enters Johns Hopkins as a medical student, and Bro. Leitzell intends taking a course in theology. Our number was also depleted by the loss of Bros. Shaw, Ehrhart and Cook. Bro. Cook enters the Junior class at Princeton this fall.

We were glad to have with us over last Sabbath Bro. Peffer of Pennsylvania Delta.

Yours in the Bond,

D. W. VAN CAMP.

Gettysburg, Sept. 20, 1893.

# PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Another successful year for "Old Allegheny" and Phi Delta Theta is at an end. Commencement week was an enjoyable time, and a large number of alumni were on hand. President Wheeler delivered

the Baccalaureate sermon Sunday morning, June 25th, and Rev. C. C. Albertson in the evening addressed the Y. M. C. A. The Inter-Society literary contest came Tuesday evening, Bros. Campbell and Chesbro being among the contestants. Class Day was on Wednesday morning; the Phis on this occasion were Bro. Chesbro, prophet, and Bro. Darragh, valedictorian. Wednesday afternoon was set apart for the dedication of the new Wilcox Hall of Science. Thursday morning the commencement exercises were held in the First Methodist Church. The class of '93 numbered thirty-six. Bro. Darragh was one of the ten speakers who represented the class. In the Faculty, Dr. William H. Crawford succeeds Dr. D. H. Wheeler as president of the college. Dr. Wheeler leaves a host of friends. Under his careful and able direction the college has grown materially, and he will be greatly missed. Dr. Crawford, his successor, is an alumnus of Northwestern University, and of late a professor in Gammon School of Theology, Atlanta, Ga.

We have had pleasant calls from Bros. Thomas, '80; Peck, '82; O'Connor, '89; Stenger, '90; Peffer, '92; Elliott, '90, and Albertson, Illinois Alpha. Our banquet was a royal occasion. Bro. O'Connor was toastmaster and twenty-three Phis were there. Among the alumni present were Bros. Peck, '82; Peffer, 92; Ross, '91; Elliott, '89. Phi spirit was at high tide. We lose by graduation Bros. Howe, Campbell, Chesbro, Darragh and Douthitt, all active workers; and in addition we will miss Bro. Crary, who leaves us for Amherst; Bro. Hall, for School of Pharmacy, Philadelphia, and Bro. Stilson, who will be a professor in Sugar Grove (Pa.) Seminary.

In June we were pleased to initiate in full Bro. C. E. Jaynes, a former pledged member. In honors we are still active, Bro. Chesbro winning first honors in declamation in Inter-Society, and Bro. Farrar the Corporal's prize in the Competitive Military Drill. With this letter the present reporter bids farewell to college and active fraternity work. With best wishes to all Phis.

In the Bond,

ROBERT W. DARRAGH.

Beaver, Pa., August 24, 1893.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter three Phis have been graduated from Dickinson, and have placed themselves in excellent positions. Our Commencement banquet was an occasion of great enjoyment. Bro. A.

S. Fasick performed the duties of toastmaster in a pleasing manner. Quite a number of our own alumni were present, and Bro. A. N. Hagerty, Lafayette, '81, was our honored guest. During Commencement week Phis secured their part in the honors. Bro. Yocum made an address upon Class Day; Bro. Cleaver was Junior Chairman; Bro. McNeil was awarded the Junior Foster Essay Prize, and Bro. Ziegler. received the McDaniel Prize for scholarship in the Freshman class.

And now college has opened again, and our boys are on hand, doing good work. Two "barbs" have emerged from darkness into the glorious light of Phidom, and two others just as worthy will enjoy the same privilege at our next meeting. Those who now wear the badge are Frank C. Cheston, '97, and Jos. Snedley, '97. Three—beyond a doubt the finest three—of the students of the Collegiate Preparatory School were pledged to us last spring for next year's class. The part they have been able to play during these opening days as "silent partners" has been helpful to us.

The prospects for the college during the coming year are bright. Several additions have been made to the curriculum. Dr. Harmon is to have the department of the English Bible, occupied last year by Dr. R. W. Rogers, who has become a member of the faculty of Drew Theological Seminary, and will use his own "Introduction to the Holy Scriptures." New courses in Pedagogy and Biology have also been added. The number of new students is very large, there being about seventy-five members of the Freshman Class, a dozen or more additions to the Sophomore, and several to the Junior Class.

An experiment is to be tried this year in the government of the college. Members of the faculty have been appointed deans of the several classes who are to be the advisors of the students, and who are to act as a committee in the adjustment of all matters. This plan will doubtless meet with the approval of the student body.

Yours fraternally,

WALTER G. MCNEIL.

Carlisle, Sept. 20, 1893.

#### BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

The session of 1893-94 finds us stronger and with brighter prospects than we had anticipated. Seven of our old members have returned, Brothers Baughman, Johnston, Cockrell, M. Burns, P. Burns, Longino and Saunders, and already we have discovered and

affiliated four splendid transfers, Brothers D. L. Groner, of Virginia Zeta; Hardee Johnston, of Alabama Alpha; Draper, of Virginia Alpha, and M. Hoke, of North Carolina Beta. There is also rumors of another Phi whom we have not as yet been able to meet.

Bro. Dunlap, '93, took the degree of B. L., and Bro. McCormick, we hear, has gone to the College of Physicians and Surgeons, of N. Y. Bro. W. F. Starley, Jr., is at the University of Texas.

Since the opening of the session we have been signally successful in the initiation of five new men: Frank M. Inman, Geo. W. Parrott, Jr., Jno. G. Wilkins and Ralph K. Jenkins, of Atlanta, Ga., and Chas. Whelan, of Birmingham, Ala., so consequently we will want sixteen copies of the SCROLL.

Yours in the Bond,

University of Virginia, Oct. 1, 1893. Wm. H. SAUNDERS.

#### VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

A large proportion of the commencement honors fell to our chapter, although it numbered only four men. Bro. Fitzpatrick delivered the Law oration. He was a member of the invitation committee of the Final Ball, and was honored at the hands of the Faculty, who elected him Librarian of the University, an office never before conferred upon so young a man. Bro. Lambeth received the Johnson Law Prize, which is awarded "to that student in the graduating class who shall have prepared and submitted the best essay on a legal subject." He was only beaten by a fraction for the Crenshaw Law Prize, which is bestowed upon the student attaining the highest proficiency in Senior Law.

Both Lambeth and Fitzpatrick received the degree of Bachelor of Law. Fitzpatrick will of course return, but Lambeth will practice in Norfolk. Bro. Walker was Treasurer of the Graham Lee Literary Society, and held the same position in the Y. M. C. A. Bro. McBryde was one of the marshals at the Finals, and received the Franklin Scholarship, valued at \$300.

Rev. Carter Helm Jones, Virginia Beta, delivered the final address before the Y. M. C. A. Competent judges pronounced it the finest heard here for years. He is a most enthusiastic Phi and completely won the hearts of the chapter.

Bro. Hunter Pendleton, Virginia Beta, Professor of Chemistry in the V. M. I., has been elected Professor of Chemistry in the Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

Yours in the Bond.

Lexington, Sept. 8, 1893.

R. J. McBryde, Jr.

# KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

Central University commencement began on June 11 and continued four days. The graduating class was large and one of which the University may well feel proud. Improvements in the University are still being made. Owing to the increased attendance in the Colleges of Medicine and Dentistry a magnificent brick structure is being erected. In the College of Philosophy, Letters and Science one new professor has been added. At the Inter-Collegiate Field Day of Kentucky, which was held at Lexington, on May 30, Central University won more points than the other three colleges put together, for which she received a handsome prize. She also received a silver cup as the winner of the one mile relay race.

The greatest event of the chapter during the past year was the reception it gave during commencement week. This was given at the handsome residence of Dr. A. Wilkes Smith, one of our alumni and over three hundred persons were present, among whom were several of our alumni and brother Phis. Refreshments were served and dancing indulged in until the small hours of morning. Saxton's Band of Lexington furnished the music. Dr. Smith and his charming wife cannot be excelled in the art of entertaining and the chapter tenders to them its most hearty thanks for the active part they took. We are also indebted to several of our lady friends and resident alumni for favors aiding in its success.

We lost no men by graduation this year and though a few of the old ones will not return the chapter will be strong enough to hold its own.

Yours in the Bond,

S. H. CAROTHERS.

Richmond, Sept. 9, 1893.

### GAMMA PROVINCE.

#### GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

Georgia Alpha of Phi Delta Theta was established on April 10, 1870. Standing fourth in the order of establishment at the University, she soon won a name and place among the very foremost of the chapters here, which she easily holds today. The brilliant records made by her eldest sons are not forgotten, but serve from year to year as an inspiration to the loyal Phis of Georgia.

Until I read Bro. Keen's kind and strong defense of our chapter, I had never heard that we were regarded by the General Fraternity as

in anything but the healthiest condition. Now to further dispel this illusion we ask you all to look at our record for the year ending in June, 1893, which is a record only a little above the average. Here it is:

Senior Class—H. C. Moreno, President and first honor. E. G. Cabaniss, Captain Co. B and third honor. These were two of the four honors given. Junior Class—Ben Yow led every department of the class and won three speakers' places on Declamation, Scholarship and Essay. G. W. Beckett is Musical Director of all college music organizations. Sophomore Class—Fred Orr led B. E. course and won speaker's place. J. T. Dunlap won speaker's place and second medal for declamation. Freshman Class—John Pittman led this class and won a medal in mathematics.

Besides these honors our boys hold a large number of other offices in the gift of faculty and students. Bro. Moreno has recently been elected tutor in mathematics.

In September we shall begin with ten good men with a bright outlook for several more, and needless to say, our last year's record will be fully sustained this year.

The University has been on a boom for the last three years. With such a splendid corps of professors and a curriculum as high as that of any University in the South, great things may be expected of her in the future. With best wishes for Phis at all times and everywhere, I am,

Yours in the Bond,

BEN YOW.

Athens, Aug. 24, 1893.

## GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

Commencement has come and gone and our chapter is fighting hotly yet, for the lead. In medals we captured about the largest plum, the Senior Declamation Medal. In places (orations) we tied with the highest, securing 13, although contesting with six other fraternities and a host of non-fraternity men. For years and years we have led every fraternity here in the list of honors, medals and speakers, and it was a matter of surprise that we tied for highest place instead of leading as usual. The Senior Declamation, of which I have spoken, has never been won by anyone except a  $\phi \Delta \theta$  since it was established.

Before long we shall have matters in shape in regard to our chapter house, and will be the first fraternity here to worship under "our own vine and fig tree."

It is the unanimous sentiment of our chapter that the next General Convention provide for a new edition of our Song Book. We are out and can secure no new ones.

MARVIN WILLIAMS.

Oxford, Sept. 3, 1893.

## TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Commencement at Vanderbilt included an event rarely to be witnessed. On account of advanced age, the venerable Dr. Garland retired from the Chancellorship and amid great enthusiasm, Dr. J. H. Kirkland, Professor of Latin, was inaugrated as his successor. Chancellor Kirkland, through his well-known ability, will doubtless enlarge the influence and usefulness of the University.

We lost by graduation, Brothers E. H. Jones, E. H. Hawkins and H. N. Hawkins. It is likely that Brothers Weaver, Alexander and Vaulx Crockett will not return. Brother Jones is practicing law at Kansas City. Brother H. N. Hawkins will go to New Mexico, and Brother E. H. Hawkins is in the Methodist ministry in Alabama. Brother Alexander has entered Cumberland University Law School. Brother Weaver will probably engage in business in Memphis, and Brother Vaulx Crockett will attend the Institute of Technology, at Boston. The loss of these from our active ranks will be seriously felt, for all of them brought credit to the chapter.

In spite of these losses, we will begin the new year with a strong and congenial membership of about nineteen. Brothers S. W. Turner and H. F. Crenshaw, both of '95, will return after a year's absence. New material is in sight which will add considerably to our strength. While the social side of Tennessee Alpha has recently made rapid development, she has not deviated from her purpose to continue a factor of strength in college life. In our selection of new members we insist upon scholarship as an important requisite, while other qualities receive due consideration. Believing that by wise counsel this will continue the fixed policy of Tennessee Alpha, we are confident that our successors will not allow her prestige to be impaired and that her record in scholarship will soon equal that of former years.

Our social life will be enlivened again this year by entertainments at the chapter house, which will occur less often than usual, but perhaps be attended with greater preparations.

Vanderbilt will re-open September 21. Important features of the opening will be the Chancellor's inaugural address and the opening

sermon by the eloquent Dr. Hoge, of Richmond, Va. A good attendance is expected in spite of "hard times."

Brother Paul M. Jones, D. Sc., President of Gamma Province, will continue as Assistant in Natural History and Geology, which insures the continuance of his pleasant and valuable intercourse with the chapter.

Yours in Di-Keia,

JOHN H. DEWITT.

Nashville, Sept. 8, 1893.

Tennessee Beta, University of the South.

Perhaps the saddest occurrence that has ever happened to Tennessee Beta is the drowning in Lake Michigan on Friday, September 1, of our true friend and loyal brother, James Bennett Wilder. He had just graduated with the degree of Civil Engineer, and had gone to Chicago to spend a few weeks with his mother. We cannot tell how great a loss the chapter sustains in this death of her truest and most affectionate son.

The University opened this Trinity Term with an increased number of matriculants over the last two or three years. Dr. Gailor, elected Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee, leaves the university in his official capacity as Chaplain and Vice Chancellor. Prof. B. L. Wiggins, M. A., who holds the chair of Latin and Greek in the university, takes Dr. Gailor's place as Vice Chancellor, and the Rev. W. A. Guerry, a former student and alumnus, has been elected Chaplain. Bro. Greenough White, M. A., has accepted the Chair of Ecclesiastical History and Polity in the Theological Department, and we will be glad to welcome him among us again.

Our graduates this year were James Bennett Wilder, C. E., and Edward Wilson, B. A. We introduce to the Fraternity Bro. Oscar N. Torian, lately initiated. We have just completed alterations in our chapter house, and are ready to commence this term with everything ready to our hand for a successful year.

Just as we go to press the sad news is learned of the death on the morning of September 11th of the Rev. Telfair Hodgson, D. D., caused by an attack of apoplexy. Dr. Hodgson was Dean of the Theological Department, and former Vice Chancellor of the University. His death is sadly deplored by all.

FRANCIS VAUX WILSON.

Sewanee, Sept. 12, 1893.

#### **DELTA PROVINCE.**

# LOUISIANA APLHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

The last official act of Louisiana Alpha during the previous term was an initiation. Rufus Rogers, class of '97, had been earnestly sought by other fraternity men, but decided to cast his lot with the good old Phis, and was received into our mystic order on the night of June 14. This acquisition was almost immediately preceded by another, in the shape of the Glendy Burke gold medal for Elocution, won by Bro. J. B. Guthrie, Jr., at the annual contest in June.

Few things tend more to revive chapter spirit than visits from older members, or from those who have left their alma mater. We have had the good fortune to receive visits from Bro. C. V. Cosby, well known to Southern Phis, and from Bro. W. T. Cluverius, Jr., ex-'95, of the U. S. Naval Academy. There are not many Phis now in New Orleans, most of our boys having gone to the World's Fair. Those that have returned are enthusiastic in their accounts of the Phis they have met there, and all over the country.

Commencement day in June took from us two of our oldest and staunchest men—R. T. Hardie and G. L. Tebault.

Tulane University gives every promise of a prosperous session, attended by a large body of students.

The Tulane Collegian for '93-'94 has been entrusted to a strong editorial staff, on which we are represented by Bro. Conniff as business manager.

S. S. PRENTISS, JR.

New Orleans, September 7, 1893.

#### TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

The close of the last session of the University of Texas, on the 21st day of June, also marked the close of a very prosperous year for our chapter. Our total membership was only ten, but the associations and relations of these ten were unreserved and congenial in the extreme. On the whole, our progress during the past two years has been substantial, and Phi Delta Theta ranks at the University of Texas as one of the best and most conservative fraternities.

In honors and distinctions Texas Beta has maintained her accustomed place. In the preliminary contest for the delegateship to the Southern Intercollegiate Oratorical Association May 12th, Bro. P. A. Hawthorne won the place and represented the University in the contest at Charleston, S. C., on the 18th of the same month. Bro.

W. Boyce was first honor man of the law class of '93, having made an average for the two years which has but rarely been equalled in the history of the institution. His Commencement Day address on "Conservation" was forcible and well delivered. Bro. J. F. Etter, as President of the class of '93, delivered the address on Class Day. Bro. Etter has held the Fellowship in Latin for the last two years. As for the chapter's work in the class room, your reporter calls attention with pride to the following statement of the standing of the various chapters here with reference to distinctions. The first figures give the number of men in the chapter, the second the number of distinctions received:

Kappa Alpha, 6, 11; Phi Delta Theta, 10, 16; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 13, 19; Sigma Nu, 9, 11; Beta Theta Pi, 18, 11; Kappa Sigma, 11, 4; Sigma Chi, 3, 1; Chi Phi, 8, 2.

We lost by graduation three men, Bros. Boyce, Etter and Rains, all of whom have made enviable records both as students and as Phis. The chapter also loses Bro. P. A. Hawthorne, who will be unable to return. Those who will probably be on the ground in September are Bros. Ardrey, Botto, Hamlett, Lee, Montgomery and Robertson. We were glad to have visits during Commencement from Bros. J. B. Lewright, of Ft. Worth; W. T. Henry, of Dallas, and C. K. Lee, of Galveston. This is my last letter as reporter, and before closing allow me to introduce my successor, Bro. G. W. Hamlett.

With best wishes for Phis everywhere, I am,

Fraternally yours,

TOM J. LEE.

Austin, July 1, 1893.

#### **EPSILON PROVINCE.**

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

Old Miami opened for the year of 1893-'94 on September 13th, with a large attendance, notwithstanding the recent financial troubles.

Of Ohio Alpha's nine men, five have returned, and Bro. A. G. Work, of Longmont, Col., is daily expected. We are happy to introduce to the Phi Delta Theta world Bro. Thomas D. Temple, of Hamilton, Ohio, and Bro. W. C. Schriner, of Liberty, Ind., both worthy bearers of the Sword and Shield.

At the annual Field Day of Miami University, Ohio Alpha, Phi

Delta Theta, carried off the lion's share of the prizes, Bro. Work winning the half mile race and Bro. Eastman the 100, 220 and 440 yards dashes. Bros. Eastman and Kumler will represent us on the foot ball team this year.

During the summer we received a short visit from Bro. W. B. Palmer, editor of the History. We have also received visits from Bros. R. A. Heistand of Eaton, Ohio, and Harry T. Ratliff of Hamilton, Ohio. We are always glad to greet visiting Phis here at old Miami.

With the best wishes for the Fraternity.

Yours in the Bond, PAUL FRED HOFFMAN.

Oxford, September 19, 1893.

## OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The commencement season of '93 was one of marked importance in the history of Ohio Wesleyan. The great event was the dedication of the new chapel building. This structure, the corner-stone of which was laid two years ago, has been completed at an expense of \$150,000 and is entirely free from debt. Some of the most noted names in the country appeared on our commencement program. Gov. McKinley delivered an address on Ex-President Hayes, who was a Trustee of the College, and Bishop Warren delivered the dedicatory sermon. An immense pipe organ, erected at a cost of \$18,000, was dedicated, Prof. Eddy, of Chicago, being the performer. The Oratorio, the Messiah, was rendered by a grand chorus of over three hundred voices, assisted by the best solo artists in the country.

Two new chairs have been endowed for \$30,000 each by friends of the University, so that the coming year promises to be one of prosperity and advancement.

Ohio Beta lost four men through graduation. Bro. Heath accepts the Professorship of Science in the University of the Pacific. Bro. Pond has entered the real estate business in Cleveland. Bro. Magruder will study medicine, and Bro. Gaudern will study law. Bro. Vail, '96, will not be with us this year, having gone into business at his home, Sparta, Ohio.

Our chapter will begin with a membership of ten, but will be materially increased during the first few weeks of the term.

During commencement week we were favored with the presence of a good number of our alumni. Our hall was decorated and kept open during the week, and on Thursday night we held our customary informal reception. Among our visiting alumni were our six brothers of the class of '92: Bros. Albright, Butler, Carter, Harrold, Hollington and Jones; also Bros. Van Sickle, McConica, Keen, Paul Thomson, Brown, Robinson, Steele, Seeds and Schenck.

S. A. KEEN, JR.

Delaware, Sept. 11, 1893.

# OHIO DELTA, UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER.

Wooster entered upon its 23rd year Sept. 13. The number of old students is materially decreased this year, but the enrollment of new students is quite large, in fact larger than that of any previous one, and if present indications prove true, we will have a very pleasant and profitable year.

The fact that so few old students returned has considerably handicapped the fraternities. Last year Phi Kappa Psi and Sigma Chi dropped out from our midst, while it is rumored that Delta Tau Delta will do the same this year. Phi Delta Theta shares a loss with the rest, but we have an abundance of good material and hope soon to have several excellent men to don the "white and blue."

Of our old members, the opening of the term finds Bros. Crowe, '95; Rider, '97, and Baltzly, '96. We have initiated Fred. S. McKinney, '97; James H. Baldwin, '97; John H. Simms, '97, and pledged Harry L. Blackford, '98.

The K K  $\Gamma$  girls have, twice this year, royally entertained their gentleman friends, at which events, Ohio Delta was well represented.

Wishing our sister chapters a most pleasant and successful year, I remain Yours in the Bond,

E. B. BALTZLY.

Wooster, Sept. 30, 1893.

## INDIANA ZETA, DEPAUW UNIVERSITY.

Indiana Zeta will commence the school year of 1893-94 in a condition unexcelled in her past history, and equal, if not superior to anything with which she will have to compete. The Senior class will number seven. Bro. F. A. Preston, LaGrange, Indiana, will return and graduate with '94. Bro. Walter Pulse, '95, will also be in school this year. But, while these brothers will be with the chapter again, we are sorry to report that three or four will not return. Bro. Will M. Sparks, '94, of Carthage, Indiana, will be in business in Rushville, Indiana. Bro. L. A. Beard of '94 may not return. Bro. C. A. Prosser, '94, will be connected with the New Albany, In-

diana schools and Bro. W. F. Smith, '96, Milroy, Ind., will enter the ministry. Permit me, to introduce here the men made Phis since our last letter. Bros. Ira E. David, '93, Onargo, Ill.; J. G. McNutt, '95, Fairland, Ill.; F. H. Bly, '94, Greencastle and H. L. Davis, '94, Haughville, Ind.

The coming year will find three Phis in the faculty—Bro. A. R. Priest, '91, formerly in Martin, Tenn., has accepted the chair of oratory in the College of Liberal Atts. In the Preparatory School, Bros. L. C. Bentley and J. B. Brumback, both of '94, will be numbered among its teachers. Bro. J. H. Wilkerson, '89, has resigned his position at the head of the department of oratory and will study law in Chicago, Ill. It is with great regret that we part with him as we have a perfect realization of the importance of having those with us that can direct and aid us with their advice, but we are extremely fortunate in having Bro. Priest with us to take his place.

The fifty-fourth commencement at DePauw was perhaps the best in its history. The graduating class numbered ninety-nine, sixty-seven being in the College of Liberal Arts. We were honored by having three Seniors elected to membership in  $\Phi$  B K, the  $\Sigma$  X receiving two memberships, the  $\Delta$  K E three and  $\Sigma$  N one. Bro. Ira E. David, Onarga, III., C. W. Smith, Greenfield, Ind., and W. G. Alexander, Greencastle, being among the honored few.

Bro. L. C. Bentley, '94, has held, during the past year, the office of Corresponding Secretary of the State Oratorical Association and State President of the Inter-Collegiate Prohibition Association. In the Inter-State Prohibition Oratorical Contest at Chicago, June 29, he carried off second honors. Bro. C. A. Prosser, was chosen Vice President of the Inter-state Oratorical Association and was also elected editor-in-chief of the monthly college paper for next year. On the Editorial Board of last year's *Mirage* we had Bro. F. W. Foxworthy.

In the past year we were especially favored by having the Convention of Epsilon Province held in our halls. The initiation of eleven men to form a chapter at Purdue University, was carried out in a most brilliant manner. We are thankful to the members of our sister chapters, Indiana Alpha especially, for the aid they gave us in making this initiation probably the best rendition of the ritual ever given in the Province. The convention and banquet were apparantly enjoyed by all present. With best wishes, I remain,

Yours in the Bond of Phi Delta Theta, Frank W. Foxworthy.

Greencastle, Aug. 15th, 1893.

## MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Although at the recent commencement the largest class, ever graduated in America finished their college lives at the U. of M., we lost but four men, Bros. Decke, Hookway and Raymond, and Bro. Robt. H. Wolcott, who was President of the graduating class in the Medical Department.

Brother Decke is now studying law with a Chicago firm and Brother Wolcott will spend a few months in the study of entomology with Prof. A. J. Cook, at Lansing. Brother Decke will be missed on the foot ball team, as he was one of the stars of the 'Varsity eleven.

The Sophomore-Freshman field day was, much to everyone's surprise, won by the Freshmen. Brothers Bradfield and Chapman assisted materially in winning over half of the "firsts" falling to '96. At the regular spring field-day, Bro. Chapman won the 100 yard dash in ten seconds and the 220 yard dash in twenty-two and two-fifths. seconds. Bro. Chapman also won both of these events in the Inter-Collegiate field-day held in Chicago.

Our base ball team was fairly successful last spring, winning the first nine games straight and all the games played on its southern trip. One of the most exciting games of the season was that with Cornell at Detroit on Decoration Day. Cornell won in eleven innings by a score of 6 to 5.

The interest in athletics is increasing rapidly and will receive additional impetus by the completion of the new gymnasium, which will be finished this fall. Great interest is manifested in foot ball and we will undoubtedly have a fine team. Two coaches have been engaged, one for the line practice, the other for the backs, the latter position being filled by Mr. Barbour of Yale, to whose faithful work was due the success of the team last year. Practice commences Sept. 18.

Shortly before college closed in June, we initiated Irving Charles Woodward, of Iron Mountain, Mich., who, we feel confident, will prove a strong and faithful brother.

Yours in the Bond,

ALLEN W. WOLCOTT.

Ann Arbor, Sept. 12, 1893.

#### MICHIGAN GAMMA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

Since our last communication many improvements have been made at Hillsdale. The Chemical Laboratory has been remodeled and refurnished. The Physical Laboratory has been moved and greatly enlarged. The chapel has been refinished and new furniture has completely taken the place of the old. Our new one-fifth mile race track is now ready for the cinders, and the leveling of the field within is nearly finished. When it is completed we will have one of the finest foot ball grounds in the State. Prof. Salley has recently returned from Europe and will resume his position in the Theological Department.

The last school year was a very prosperous one for Michigan Gamma, and its close found us thoroughly enjoying our new parlors in the Sutton Block. We lost three of our number by graduation: Bros. Foote, March and Chaffee. Bro. March is now editor of the Hillsdale *Leader*, Bro. Chaffee is Superintendent of Schools at Grass Lake, Mich., and Bro. Foote is employed in this city.

The local Field Day was decidedly a red letter day for us. Bro. B. F. Green secured the gold medal for best all-round athlete. Chas. Cass, a pledged Phi, won the two hundred and twenty yard dash, the high hurdle race and the mile run, and the writer of this communication captured the prize for the one-half mile run.

On the Class-day program the Phi Seniors held places of honor, Bro. Chaffee being prophet, Bro. Foote, orator, and Bro. March, valedictorian. Two of the three prizes competed for by the class were won by Phis; the Crandall Literary Prize by Bro. G. W. Foote, and the Kate King French Prize, by Bro. C. B. Chaffee.

The following brothers made pilgrimages to our Mecca at commencement time: A. J. Gilbert, Rev. T. C. Lawrence, Rev. J. C. Newcomer, Prof. J. N. Greene, of Keuka College, N. Y., and Profs. E. D. Powers and O. W. Pierce, who have recently returned from Germany, where they have been pursuing studies in instrumental music.

Bro. C. H. Alvord is pursuing studies at the State Agricultural College, and Michigan Beta has gained a good man at our expense. Our chapter is strengthened by the return of Bro. Harry S. Myers, who for the past two years has been Principal of the High School at Holland, Mich.

At our recent election, Bro. B. F. Green was elected President of Amphictyon Society, and also Director of sports for Hillsdale College, at the Inter-collegiate Field Day, which is to be held in this city the first week in October. Bro. F. P. Wells will represent us in the tennis tournament. We are well represented on the foot ball team.

In the Bond of Phi Delta Theta,

GEO. W. GREEN.

### ZETA PROVINCE.

## ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

College opens upon the thirteenth. Several changes have been made in the Faculty since last year, ten new names being on its roll. Because of the present stagnation of financial affairs the attendance will be slightly decreased this year.

Two of Illinois Alpha's boys will not return this year. Bro. Griswold enters a law office at Green Bay, Wis., and Bro. Morris occupies a position in a St. Louis bank. The other eleven will return and Bro. Reimer, of Iowa State University, comes to make an even dozen. Besides these, B. B. Powell, who was pledged last year, will be added soon.

We have rented a larger hall than we had last year, and expect to start out in first-class condition in every way. Bro. F. S. Haven, '95, is editor-in-chief of the college paper. Bro. W. P. Kay will pull an oar on the life-saving crew, and Bro. C. B. Campbell is Treasurer of the Inter-collegiate Athletic Association of the Northwest.

Yours in the Bond,

FRED. W. GILLETTE.

Evanston, Ill., Sept. 11, 1893.

#### ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

The college year that closed with June 9th has been a most prosperous one for Illinois Delta. With the graduating class of '93 has gone Bro. G. C. Gale, one of our most loyal members. The society has looked to him as authority in fraternal affairs. He will soon go East to take a course at the Columbia Law School.

Bros. George Gebhard and Fred Fuller also leave us in a short time for Cornell University, where they will help sustain  $\phi \Delta \Theta$ .

Knox College opened for the coming year September 5th, with a large attendance, notwithstanding the stringency in the money market. The number of students from other colleges this year is quite noticeable.

We have already initiated Charles C. Cooper, son of ex-Governor Cooper of Colorado.

. In athletics we hope for good results in the Inter-Collegiate Oratorical and Athletic contest, which will be held at Knox this coming month. Our Athletic Park is nearly in readiness for this coming event, being arranged for base ball, foot ball, running, and tennis.

Our chapter will, we trust, receive its share of athletic honors, as: Bro. Sanderson has been the acknowledged tennis champion in former inter-collegiate contests. We also have worthy representatives in the base ball and foot ball teams. Wishing a successful yearto every chapter. Yours in the Bond,

GEORGE DUFFIELD TUNNICLIFF.

Galesburg, Sept. 14, 1893.

ILLINOIS EPSILON, ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The University opened on the 12th inst. with about the usual enrollment.

Illinois Epsilon feels much encouraged at the outlook for her prosperity both as regards numbers and honors. We have been materially strengthened by the return of Bro. Marsh, who has been in Europe for the past two years and now returns to enter the Junior class. We have also been pleased to welcome Bro. Le Crone, '94, Law, who comes to us from Minnesota Alpha, and Bro. George Barnes, '94, Law, of Illinois Alpha, both of whom have affiliated and taken up active fraternity work. On the 15th we initiated Bro. Wilbur Wright, '96, an excellent student who will do honor to the Fraternity. Bro. Little has also returned to the Law school and will greatly aid us in that department. We number thirteen activemen to start with and feel assured that this number will be increased before the next issue of the SCROLL.

We have been compelled to vacate our old hall in the Durley building, but doubtless will secure a pleasant home ere long. We have already secured the presidency of the Athletic Association and also of the Junior class, Bro. Brown being elected to the former and the latter falling to the lot of your writer.

Illinois Epsilon proudly boasts the largest and best chapter in our school and sends greeting to sister chapters.

Yours in the Bond,

W. B. MERRILL.

Bloomington, Sept. 20, 1893.

#### ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY,

We begin the year with nine men and good prospects for new initiates, as the class of '97 promises to be a strong class. This number exceeds that of last September by one, and last year was with us, as near perfect as one could ask.

We lost two of our strong men by graduation, Bro. J. N. Conger,

Jr., and R. F. Anderson. Probably as good an oration as Lombard's friends ever listened to was delivered as the Master's oration at last commencement by Bro. Loring Trott, '90, of Denver, Colo. Many of our alumni were present during commencement and our proposed Chapter House was a leading topic of conversation. Nine more notes of \$100 each have been added to the fund.

We are well represented on the *Lombard Review*, having from our number the Editor-in-Chief, the Business Manager, Alumni Editor, Exchange Editor and Assistant Local Editor.

Our commencements will hereafter be held on the first Thursday in June instead of the third Wednesday. This change was brought about by the efforts of President Standish and is indeed a commendable one as it brings our closing week before the extreme hot weather begins.

Yours in Phi Delta Theta,

BERT P. SMITH.

Galesburg, Sept. 8, 1893.

## MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

As we are entering upon the duties of the coming college year, it may be well to take a short review of the year just passed. The ten men returning from the previous chapter secured from the rush six good men. Expecting much from these new brothers, we have not been disappointed. While our record in athletics was not up to our former standards, yet we secured more events than either of our rivals. Our greatest success, however, was at Commencement, when Brother Macfarlane delivered the Valedictory, Brother Smiley was awarded both Scholarship Medal and Bible Prize and your Reporter, the Analytical Geometry Medal.

Three nights of commencement week were devoted to the fraternity banquet. Ours was given in the elegant building of the Christian Orphan School. Everywhere within the parlors, halls and dining room were masses of white and blue, relieved here and there by large evergreen shields. The presence of many of our alumni, several members of the faculty, representatives of the other fraternities, "Father" Morrison and the inspiring influence of our loyal "Phi sisters" combined to produce one of the most enjoyable entertainments ever given by the chapter. Bro. L. O. Rodes, '88, acted as toastmaster. The light of another day was breaking when the well-known sounds of "Rah! Rah! Rah! Phi—kei—a" broke the morning stillness and the banquet of '93 was a thing of the past. We are greatly indebted to the Missouri Alpha Chapter for the use of

their colors and decorations, thus enabling us to decorate much more effectually than we should have done.

The four brothers whom we lost by graduation will be greatly missed from the chapter, but we shall endeavor to make up by increased work what we lose in numbers. We are at present having our rooms papered and re-furnished, adding very much to their attractiveness.

In a recent trip to Chicago, one of the most pleasant features of the great Fair was the large number of Phis met on the grounds. And they proved on acquaintance to be the same genial fellows from whatever chapter they came. Another equally pleasant feature of the city was the Phi Delta Theta headquarters at the Great Western Hotel. The committee deserves the congratulations of the Fraternity for the neat and tasteful decorations.

Fraternally yours,

W. H. FORSYTHE.

Fulton, Sept. 5, 1893.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD, JR. UNIVERSITY.

Stanford University opens the year with an attendance of more than eight hundred, and both the numbers and the enthusiasm of the students point to a most successful year of college work.

At the end of last year our chapter lost three men. Bro. Moulton, '94, will be at Harvard this year. Bro. Faris, '93, has entered the Theological Seminary at Princeton, and Bro. Batchelder, '94, goes into business. Bro. Lewis, '92, has returned to do advanced work in history, and we are congratulating ourselves over the arrival of four brother Phis from the East. Doherty, '95, comes to us from Massachusetts Alpha; Allen, '95, from New York Epsilon: Eaton, '95, from Indiana Alpha, and Smythe, '95, from Illinois Alpha.

We were favored last week with a call from Bro. Sanford of New York Epsilon, who is on his way to Mexico. During the summer a number of our members had the pleasure of meeting Bro. Will. E. Willis, of Spokane, who spent his vacation in southern California. The occasional visits of brother Phis we count as among our most pleasant college experiences, and we sincerely hope that any Phis who may visit the Coast will give us a call.

Yours in the Bond.

CHARLES C. HILL.

Palo Alto, Sept. 20, 1893.

# POT-POURRI.

The frontispiece in this number is of the Illinois Zeta Chapter, Lombard, University.

In the October Century Magazine can be found an interesting article "Taking Napoleon to St. Helena" written from a manuscript dairy of the trip. This number, together with the September, contains the two part novelette "The Heir of the McHulishes" by Bret Harte. In the September issue "Phillips Brooks's Letters from India" should be read, while of practical interest in the October are articles on "The Pratt Institute" and "Street Paving in America." The Scroll and The Century together for one year, for \$4.50.

Under date of Sept. 30th, the editors of the catalogue have sent out a notice that the book would be ready for delivery to subscribers within thirty days. Making full allowance for such delays as are liable to occur it should be in the hands of the chapters by the latter part of November at the latest. The price of the volume is three dollars, and the subscribers and all others who desire the book should forward this amount at once to the addresses designated (Eastern Territory, E. H. L. Randolph, P. O. Box 1398, New York, N. Y.; Western Territory, F. D. Swope, P. O. Box 440, Louisville, Ky.) and thus secure copies from the first lot bound. The work will be of interest to all alumni Phis, and is an actual necessity for every undergraduate who desires to do intelligent work for Phi Delta Theta.

At the suggestion of The Scroll, one of our jewelers, Mr. D. L. Auld, has made up a pattern of our badge that we are sure will meet with wide favor throughout the Fraternity. He has taken the same design used in his well-known scarf-pins and increased its size, not so much, but that it yet remains smaller than the regular badge with chain and sword attachment. This he has mounted with the regular badge fastener instead of using the long pin as on the scarf-pin design. It thus combines the beauty of the scarf-pin in which the sword is crossed under

the shield, with the perfect safety of the regular badge it being impossible for the pin to loosen or be lost after the fastener has once been set. Not only the design, but its size will commend it to Phis, and being made from one die, whereas the regular badge requires two, it can be sold at a considerably lower price. Mr. Auld is now having the dies for the pattern finished, and will in a short time be ready to fill orders or furnish samples from the same.

Reporters who have furnished us with notes, alumni and others interested will regret with us our inability to give "Personals" department its regular place in this issue. We have a large amount of interesting matter for that department which will be resumed in the December number.

In addition to the chapter letters which are given in this number we have received others in regard to the opening of the year with their chapters. Washington and Jefferson opens the year in fine condition, while Pennsylvania Gamma won a notable victory over rivals in the initiation of four '97 men. Iowa Beta begins the year with 13 actives, 3 in urbe and 3 in faculty, a total of 19, one '97 man has been initiated with three or four others to follow. altogether the promise of a fine year. Kansas Alpha has initiated two new matriculates, both coming from Kansas City, Mo. When the U. of Minn. opened Minnesota Alpha found Brothers Esterly and Alexander, Cornell graduates, among their number and this has been augmented to seventeen by the initiation of five men—three from '96 and two from '97, and the reporter says this is to be a great year for the chapter.

This number contains no letters written previous to commencement season. It was deemed best to publish only those written since, which contained either commencement accounts or gave information about the opening of the present school year.

Southern Kappa Alpha met in convention at Richmond, Va., Sept. 13-15. Twenty-five chapters were represented by delegates and the total attendance exclusive of residents was about 35. The Constitution was revised as to

method of granting charters and minor points. The Ritual was amended as to phraseology. All the general officers, including the editor of the *Journal*, were unanimously elected. T. T. Hubbard, V. M. I., '88, of Norfolk, Va., was elected Historian for eight years, to enable him to complete the history of Kappa Alpha, for which he has with great industry already collected a large amount of valuable material. The Convention created a Council of Honor, electing to membership therein ten members who had rendered important services to the fraternity. Succeeding conventions may increase the number at discretion. A charter was granted to Millsaps College, Jackson, Miss., a new institution. The chapter was established by a professor and four students who are members of the fraternity.

"The business of badge and symbol-making alone exceeds \$250,000 a year. Several jewelry establishments have immense and elaborately equipped workshops to make them. It was my fortune to visit the largest, whilst passing through Detroit towards the Columbian Fair.



of that city, who have completely killed the old prejudice against Western-made fraternity jewelry, showed me such a display of exquisite

fraternity novelties and jeweled pins, that the fire within me burned again as in college days. I may be excused as a grayhead if the thrill carried me away. My watchguard bears a piece of their handiwork, with its mystic letters. An extra beat of the heart is all that tells me that my eye has fallen upon it unconsciously. "Is there anything in it after all?" I'm often asked.

No, nothing but a softening of the voice as you see it on another. Only a gentler bartering in trade; a more cordial "yes" and a more reluctant "no." Only a kindlier feeling for your mother-in-law, whose son made his sister your own. Only a friend found in far climes with a kindred interest and college culture. Only a placing of heart above money. Only the tolerant spirit. Only a gentleman's wish to be liked"

[Reprint from "Pledged and Pinned" by A. V. Faulkner, St. Fran. Xav. in University Magazine, July, 1893.]

The SCROLL has a clubbing arrangement with the Cosmopolitan whereby both magazines can be furnished to subscribers for \$2.00 per year. The call for the September number of the Cosmopolitan was unprecedented. A second and third edition was quickly exhausted and owing to the large demand for the October issue, the September, World's Fair number, is out of print for the present.

The week beginning July 17 was a great week for college and traternity men at the World's Fair. Ribbons and badges were everywhere, and the meetings between fellow fraternity men were the order of the day. In the "World's Auxiliary Congress," whose sessions are held in the Memorial Art Institute, on the Lake Front, foot of Adams St., Wednesday, July 19, was assigned for the congress of fraternity men and editors. At the morning session some three hundred were present, representing almost, if not every general fraternity. Chicago papers announced that evening and the next morning that the World's Fraternity Congress opened with the well known "Rah! Rah! Rah! of Phi Delta Theta. And so it was. The Phis present got ahead of the Chairman, who was greeted when he arose on the platform, with a ringing Phi Delta Theta yell.

The oldest fraternity man present was I. R. Hitt, father of our T. G. C., who was a DePauw B@II, class of '45. Papers were read as follows: Legal Status of Fraternities, Wm. R. Baird; Histories of Fraternites, W. B. Palmer; Fraternity Finances, I. R. Hitt, Jr.; Fraternity Catalogue Making, F. D. Swope; Advantages of Non-secrecy, Ellis J. Thomas; Secrecy of Fraternities,

Wm. R. Baird. The papers were not discussed.

At the afternoon session of the "Fraternity Editors' Congress" the attendance was much larger than could be accommodated in the small room which had been given for the meeting. In the absence of E. H. L. Randolph, Mr. Richard Lee Fearn acted as chairman. Of the editors from whom papers had been promised, only those of The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi, The Scroll and The Anchora of Delta Gamma were present, by whom papers were read. Messrs. Clay W. Holmes,  $\Theta \Delta X$ , and C. M. Hepburn,  $B \Theta \Pi$ , editors for their respective fraternities, sent the papers which they were unable to present in person, and they were read by assignments of the chairman.

The greatest interest of Pan-hellenism for the week, however, was reserved for the social features which were included in the reception tendered by the women's frater

nities to the men's fraternities at the New York State building at five o'clock Wednesday evening. Of this a morning paper said:

"It was not a lunatic asylum. It was only the New York building in the possession of a thousand members of college societies, The commissioners of the Empire State had kindly given the feminine "frats" permission to use the big halls for a reception to the society men yesterday afternoon. The young men and women, who so proudly wear Greek letter badges, had hardly filled the big reception room before a cry floated in at the balchny window:

"Psi! Psi! Psi!
Psi! Upsilon! Psi Upsilon!
Psi U!

"It was a little weak, for there were only six of the Psi U's, and they had to break the ice. Then pandemonium broke loose. Other enthusiastic young men lifted up their voices in desperate attempts to crack the ceiling. But they were not to monopolize the fun. The Kappa Kappa Gammas tuned their sopranos and sang:

"Ai korai Athenae,

Ai korai Athenae.

"The aston shed young men greeted this musical outburst of the Greek sisters wi h cheers, a compliment that was extended to the other feminine "frats," Lold enough to give their society yells."

The chief competition in "yells" and "songs" was between  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $\Delta \dot{K} E$  and  $B \Theta \Pi$  who had more men present than any of the other fraternities. "Phi Delta Theta for aye" "William Goat;" "Dear old Phi Delta Theta" and "Hail, Phi Delta Theta" ("Bingo" air) were lustily sung by the more than fifty Phis present. Brother Swope led in singing and yelling. We doubt if he is over his consequent hoarseness yet. The various fraternity clans got together and marched around in lock-step lines, and such strains as "Phi-Phi-Phi-Kei-a" and "Dee-Dee-Dee-Kay-ee" marked the accompaniment. Finally a "Panhellenic Circle" was formed and the joint singing was inaugurated by Brother Swope starting, "There's a hole in the Bottom of the Sea," the famous song of our Bloomington Convention. After the college songs the crowd went to the music pavilion on the lake front where the band played college airs. A "Pan-hellenic Banquet" was served in the New York Building at 7:30 and dancing concluded the days entertainment.

D. N. Hillis, Indiana Gamma, '64, was the oldest Phi present. Among the others were J. E. Crews, De Pauw, '82; C. J. Reddig. Gettysburg, '77; Ex-Treasurer of  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$ , G. B. Thomas, Virginia, '81; Ex-Editor of the

SCROLL, and W. B. Palmer, Vanderbilt, '80.

Sigma Chi and Chi Psi of the men's fraternities, and Kappa Alpha Theta of the women's all held well attended and very successful Conventions, especially from a social standpoint, during the week, at Chicago.

Delta Tau Delta held its Biennial Karnea at Indianapolis, Ind., August 23-25. The attendance was not nearly so large as expected, being the smallest for a number of years. No quorums were present at the meetings of the Northern and Southern Divisions, which meetings are held immediately before the assembling of the Karnea or general Convention. The address of welcome was given by E. R. Keith, Esq., of Indianapolis. The accounts as given to the public contain notes of no business of outside interest. The election of officers resulted in the election of K. C. Babcock of Minneapolis for President, and H. J. Eberth, Kenyon College, for Editor of the Rainbow. The "slate" by which the Eastern men hoped to gain the offices was vigorously smashed by combined Western and Southern forces, and what promised for awhile to engender strife ended in general good feeling, said the report in the Indianapolis *Journal* of August 25.

We are pleased to note that the Phis resident in Spokane, Wash., who number some of the best men the Fraternity has enrolled, have organized a local association and we are informed are to receive the charter of an alumni chapter from the General Council. Willis, of Indiana Beta, belongs the credit of the organization, which has on its list the names of Judge Norman Buck, Wisconsin Alpha, '59; Judge J. Z. Moore, Ohio Alpha, '67; Colonel J. W. Feighan, Ohio Alpha, '70; E. C. Hall, Missouri Alpha, '76; Lee Fairchild, Illinois Zeta, '86; W. C. Sivyer, Indiana Beta, '83; C. T. Vajen, Indiana Zeta, '84; W. E. Willis, Indiana Beta, '89; J. W. Penfield, Ohio Zeta, '88; L. G. Nash, Wisconsin Alpha, '90; A. A. Wright, Wisconsin Alpha, '90, and A. T. Leith, Wisconsin Alpha, '91. There are yet other members of the Fraternity resident in or near to Spokane who will be enrolled with the organization and meet with it in the celebration of our Annual Alumni Day.

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#### LOGIC.

When I have done my best
I've done as much as Cæsar did
Though Cæsar did much more than I have done;
To God we leave the rest,
Nor boast ourselves, nay, God forbid;
Yet if our best be still the worst we've won!

LEE FAIRCHILD, Lombard, '86.

## FRATERNITY CATALOGUE MAKING.

[A paper read before the Congress of Fraternities, World's Fair Auxiliary, Memorial Art Institute, Chicago, July 19, 1893.]

The art of catalogue making is a new one and a development of the last decade. Prior to the year 1879 this art was in its infancy and the productions were but crude forerunners of the magnificent books of today. Judging from the prefatory apologies, even these imperfect books were compiled under great difficulties and with exhaustive and painstaking labor. They contained a more or less complete list of members with their addresses and in some instances various secret symbols. The catalogue editors and the fraternities were apparently satisfied if they gave an approximately accurate list of members.

In the year 1879, however, catalogue making received an impetus which has resulted in the elaborate books that have recently been published. Until that time no serious attempt to give biographical sketches of members had been made. Psi Upsilon was the pioneer in this new movement and the credit of the undertaking is due Mr. Charles W. Smiley, of their Wesleyan Chapter, who was the editor of their book. In it the full names of all but eight members and the places of residence of all but twenty were given. Other fraternities began work at once upon the same lines, and since that the system has been elaborated to its present development. The latest editions contain complete lists of members, whose full names are given, biographies of each member, college and fraternity honors, statistical and consanguinity tables, alphabetical and geographical indexes, and all arranged in the most systematic and convenient way.

Sigma Phi has published seventeen editions of its catalogue. The total membership of this fraternity in 1890 was only 1,820, and for that reason the eleven editions published by Alpha Delta Phi, with a membership in 1890 of 6,236, is a better example of the extent to which catalogue making has been carried. Sixteen of the leading fraternities have published an average of seven editions of their respective catalogues. To the inexperienced this will not seem a remarkable fact, but to the

experienced worker it is amazing.

The average catalogue of the present day consists of upwards of 500 pages and contains the names and biographies of between 5,000 and 10,000 men. The difficulties encountered in its compilation are enormous. The primary difficulty of finding a competent editor or editors will not be dealt with in this paper. That is a matter which is more or less local with each fraternity. Two suggestions, however, will be offered in that connection.

First. The catalogue editor should be one who has had experience in general fraternity matters and who knows what may be counted upon from the great body of the society; one, indeed, who has felt the pulse of the society, has timed the heart beats and knows that which will quicken the pulsations. The publication of coming editions of fraternity catalogues will involve a large investment of money, and this cannot be safely entrusted to inexperienced heads.

The relations between the fraternity and the catalogue editor should be clearly defined. Heretofore, the fact that the catalogue editor has been in doubt as to his relations with the fraternity government has led to extremely embarassing situations. With the growth of fraternities is bound to come the inevitable American love of politics

with its attendandant evils of political friends and political enemies. The most ordinary sort of justice to a catalogue editor would be to place him entirely beyond the danger of political influences. To that end, he should be responsible, singly and solely, to the highest authority of the fraternity. The best plan would be to have a permanent board of catalogue managers, not to exceed five in number, in whom should be vested absolute authority. The members of this board should hold office from the beginning to the completion of an edition of the catalogue. It should be composed of ex-catalogue editors, of those who have rendered active assistance in the compilation of previous editions, or of those who are otherwise skilled in statistical work. To this board should be entrusted absolute authority concerning the catalogue, from the selection of its editors to the sale of the printed volumes.

Such a board would comprise the invaluable elements of experience, interest in the work, sound judgment and permanency. The members of chapters, general conventions and governing bodies are transient, and it is unfair to a catalogue editor to make him responsible to those who are unfamiliar with the history of his work. history of a modern catalogue is a long story of trials, disappointments, delays and hard work. With that history a permanent board of catalogue managers would be familiar; with that history, conventions and general officers are not familiar and they cannot be easily informed.

The chief difficulties with which a catalogue editor

must deal are:

First—Financial ways and means.

Second—The scope of the book.

Third—Access to accurate records.

Fourth—Time and labor necessary for carrying on the work.

First, then, of financial ways and means. Taken at a low estimate, future editions of catalogues will not cost less than \$5,000. The recent edition of the catalogue of Delta Kappa Epsilon, is reported to have cost \$16,000. It is, h wever, by far the most elaborate and costly book ever published by a college fraternity. The money necessary to publish a catalogue must come from two sources—the treasury of the fraternity and the sales of the book. It will not do to rely upon the sales, because by the ordinary methods of book publishers, the money must be forthcoming before the book is ready for the market, while practically nothing can be done in the way of collecting subscriptions in advance. At least two-thirds of the cost of preparation and publication must come directly from the treasury of the fraternity. Ordinarily, fraternities do not have any surplus funds in the treasury from which such a sum can be advanced. Thus it will be seen that a grave difficulty must be met at the outset. To avoid disaster this difficulty must be fairly met and overcome in

the beginning.

The simplest way to meet it is by means of a tax imposed on each member at the time of his initiation. This would bring into the treasury a constantly accumulating fund always available for catalogue purposes. This tax should be fixed at such an amount as would, within a reasonable time after the publication of the last catalogue, be sufficient to meet the cost of another edition. Fraternity statistics have been brought to such a point of perfection that it is possible to know the precise number of new men which a fraternity may reasonably expect to initiate each year. If the average number of initiates each year be multiplied by the number of years before a new catalogue will be required, and this be divided into the estimated cost of the new catalogue, the result would be the exact amount of tax to be collected from each initiate. The amount so raised should be deposited with the board of managers referred to above, and held by them in trust for the catalogue. It would then be safe from the transient financial embarassment of the general treasury.

This is the only sound financial policy of catalogue making. If it be neglected, it will be at the risk of delay or positive disaster. This tax levied upon initiates, should be credited to each one as a part payment upon a subscription to the catalogue which he may afterwards subscribe for or not, as he likes. If he does not subscribe, it is then a tax pure and simple which he, in common with all other new members must pay for the good of the society. If he does subscribe, he gets his payment returned to him in the shape of a credit upon his sub-

scription.

It has been the practice heretofore either to require all members attendant within a certain period to subscribe for the book and pay their subscriptions, most of them, before the book is issued, or to levy an assessment upon all members at a given time, this assessment being so calculated as to meet the whole cost of the catalogue.

By the former, or compulsory subscription plan, it very frequently happens that men who do not want the catalogue and cannot afford to take it, are compelled to pay for one; and by the latter, or assessment plan, the whole cost of the catalogue is thrust upon a single college generation.

The tax plan suggested above is much better than either of these. It is equitable, because it distributes the cost equally among all members initiated between the new and old editions of the catalogue; it is just, because it does not force upon a member a book which he may not want, or which he may be unable to pay for; it is safe, because it makes the money available from the

beginning of the work.

The fact is that fraternities experience more difficulty with the finances of their catalogues than usually appears on the surface. Occasionally it does crop out, however, and is noised about. Recently one fraternity is reported to have had internal dissentions which threatened its disbandment because an assessment of \$11 per capita was levied to pay for an edition of its catalogue. A year or two ago one of the fraternity journals contained an appeal from the editor of its catalogue, urging that some provision be made for raising money for the catalogue and complaining that it was too much of a burden to compel him, in addition to the editorial work, to assume the burden of raising the money necessary for publication. Pride and a desire to preserve the reputation of the fraternity usually causes the troubles to be withheld from the public, but no doubt most catalogue editors are embarassed by financial difficulties due to the lack of a wise financial policy.

Concerning the scope of the book. Up to the present time, the scope of the fraternity catalogue has been constantly widening. For this reason a catalogue editor could not rely much upon earlier editions. It was necessary for him to decide for himself the scope of his book. This is a much more important matter than at first glance would appear, and is of necessity the first thing to be decided upon. All the work of accumulating materials must be predicated directly upon the scope of the book. It will not do to begin at random to collect material, for one of two things would result: Either some important data will be found to have been omitted after it is too late to obtain them, or, as is most likely to be the case, a great

mass of useless information will be collected, greatly adding to the difficulties of compilation and having a ten-

dency to creep in where it is not wanted.

It is, of course, only a matter of time until the catalogues must be contracted in their scope. Already they are beginning to be enormous in size, and in some cases they contain a great deal that is not only useless but also lacks the merit of being interesting. The rate of increase in the fraternities is very much greater now than ever before. The number of initiates each year ranges from 200 to 400, making an increase of 2,000 to 4,000 names every decade, and at this rate it would not take long to make a book too large and unwieldly for a single volume.

The writer believes that the model book of the future will be constructed upon the following lines. It will contain the full names of all members, arranged alphabetically by classes and according to chapter. With each name will be given degrees, dates of initiation, college and fraternity honors, and a brief biographical sketch. After this will follow a table of consanguinity, showing degrees of relationship limited to grandfathers, fathers, sons and brothers. The book should close with two directories, one showing the geographical distribution and the other an alphabetical arrangement, each referring to the chapter, class and page where each member's name is to be found. Such a book would contain all the information which was useful and all that was interesting. All other matters should be relegated to the history of the fraternity.

It is certain that in the future, catalogues must be carefully pruned down to bring them within reasonable limits as to size. A wide field for this is presented in the mat-It is not a matter of interest to the ter of biographies. owner of a catalogue to know that a man unknown to him is married or to whom he was married. marry sooner or later, just as most men eat three meals a day. Likewise the fraternity at large is not interested in knowing that one of its members is a minister and has preached at fifteen different places during his life, sometimes filling three pulpits in the same year. In the same way no one cares to know that a man was clerk from '70 to 72, a bookkeeper from 72 to 76, a traveling salesman from '76 to '79, and a hardware merchant since '79. other words, the biography should not attempt to present a chronological account in detail of each man's life.

a man's life has been uneventful, his present occupation should be sufficient; if his life has been devoted to the preaching of the gospel, mention of the important and notable charges which he has held, is sufficient. Besides all that, it is impossible to compile a catalogue containing an exact chronological biography in detail of each member. Some members will be found frequently to have been engaged in no less than ten or fifteen occupations, and the catalogue editor is forced to prune his biography to a reasonable shape. Other members cannot possibly be induced to give a complete chronological biography, and the book must necessarily be incomplete to that extent.

The true aim of the catalogue should be to show with the utmost fairness what the members of the fraternity have accomplished in the world. To this end it should give the most credit and the most space to the biographies of those who have been the most successful and achieved the most. If one member has been successful in business life, let the catalogue show briefly his occupation; if another has served his country or the public, let the catalogue give him the same credit which the public accords to a public man. This is a safe guide and will assist materially in reducing the bulk of the book.

Next concerning access to accurate records: The matter of records is an extremely important one to the editor. There are certain facts concerning each member which can best be obtained from him at the time he is initiated. certain facts best secured while he is still in college. The records, both of the individual chapter and the fraternity at large, should be compiled largely with reference to their relation to the catalogue. In an admirable article in The College Fraternity upon the subject of Chapter Records and Reports, Mr. Walter B. Palmer has outlined excellent chapter and fraternity records. If such records were faithfully kept, they would lighten the labors of the catalogue and prove a mine of useful information. example, it is often extremely difficult to get full names. Sometimes this is the result of carelessness, sometimes a matter of pride, sometimes a desire to have the same name appear in the catalogue that is used in business.

The writer recalls an instance where the middle name was wanting. Every sort of ingenious appeal failed to get a response from the member himself. Appeals were then made to postmasters, then to class-mates, and fin-

ally to collateral relatives. Some of these did not know, some refused to respond. At length the request was sent to a member living in the same city to call upon the delinquent and secure the information at all hazzards. By return mail the name came back, McCarty. The man was ashamed of his name.

The writer recalls another instance where he sent 23 letters at various times to a young man asking in every conceivable way for him to send in his full first name. These letters contained every degree of polite request, careful explanation, fraternal expostulation and respectful exhortation. No response of any sort was received. The writer regrets to say that on the 24th call, suffering under the burden of laborious duties, patience tried by multitudinous delinquincies, he lost his temper and put a few plain statements in his letter to the effect that the obtaining of his name had ceased to matter a tinker's dam, but that the treatment he had received was not only a breach of fraternal obligation but also showed an extreme want of courtesy. The reply came at once. Now the facts in both these cases might have been obtained on the night of initiation without difficulty, entered in a permanent record book and preserved for all time to come, making an interesting chapter record and saving time and trouble to the catalogue editor.

Lastly, concerning the time and labor necessary for carrying on the work. Until quite recently catalogues have been compiled by the men who edited them, with such voluntary assistance as they might be able to secure from the local chapters. Sometimes this assistance would be very valuable, sometimes it would amount to nothing. catalogue in consequence dragged along until the editors were able to complete them largely by their own efforts. This imposed upon them an enormous amount of purely clerical work and delayed the publication until a great deal of the matter accumulated had become stale. condition of affiairs was brought about by inadequate financial provision which was scarcely sufficient to meet

the bare cost of publication.

The catalogue editor of the future should be required only to supervise the work. He should have at his command a competent corps of clerks and stenographers who would perform all of the clerical work under his direction. When one looks at the catalogue of Delta Kappa Epsilon one wonders how such a book was compiled. Here is

the explanation quoted from The Delta Kappa Epsilon

Quarterly:

"To these gentlemen, then, the credit of the present catalogue is due. On every working day during the past three years at least one, and often two of them, has spent from five to fourteen hours on work of the same kind which sends so many insane from the U. S. Statistical Bureaus; and during all this time from three to six clerks have been steadily employed on purely clerical work. No one unfamiliar with this class of work can form any idea from the completed volume, of the labor necessary to produce it. About 50,000 letters and circulars have been sent out, in some cases as many as eight autograph letters to a single individual, and an average of five communications to every man in the Fraternity."

That is to say the catalogue of Delta Kappa Epsilon was compiled by from four to seven men who worked at

it continuously for three years.

The man or men who attempt in the future to publish a catalogue without paid clerical assistance are foolish and they will so find themselves before the task is finished. The catalogue editor should have at his command all of the clerical force that he can use. This should be

a condition precedent and absolute.

Unfortunately for both the fraternities and the editors of catalogues, it is impossible to get men with business experience to undertake the making of a catalogue. It is usually delegated to those who have just finished their college course and whose knowledge of business methods is very slight. Consequently they make many mistakes, the work is protracted, much of it must be done over again and the editors get a valuable experience after it is practically too late to be of service to them. As illustrative of this, one fraternity has made three unsuccessful attempts to get out an addition of its catalogue, the last time when success had almost crowned its efforts the whole work being destroyed by fire. The catalogue of another fraternity after it had been five years in preparation had had six sets of editors.

A great many of these difficulties due to inexperience could be obviated by the appointment of a board of managers as suggested at the beginning of this paper, from those who have had experience. All preliminary plans should receive the approval of this board and the catalogue editor would greatly profit by the experience and

suggestions of its members.

In conclusion it may be said that such experienced advice coupled with a sound financial policy inaugurated in time would reduce the difficulties of catalogue making to a minimum. It would result in better books produced with less cost of labor and money and in a much shorter time. It must be remembered that past efforts are but the primers of catalogue making, and slip-shod management will not suffice for the real books which are to follow. The present decade will witness the culmination of the growth of the fraternity catalogue, and unless they are begun upon a basis of careful planning and thoughtful management, it will contain the record of many failures.

Frank D. Swope,

Co-Editor Sixth Edition Catalogue of Phi Delta Theta.

Louisville, Ky., July, 1893.

#### CHAPTER REUNION.

AIR—"Bring My Bonnie to Me."
Phi Delta with faces departed,
Phi Delta of other dear days,
Phi Delta, to-night, merry-hearted,
We lift up a song in thy praise.

#### CHORUS.

Praise, praise, praise!
Phi Delta Theta, to thee, to thee!
Praise, praise, praise!
Phi Delta Theta, to thee.

'Tis oft we have dreamed of thy beauty,
'Tis oft we have lived thee again,
And found thee a strength for our duty,
To life's prayers some tender amen.—Cho.

We thank thee for fellowships tender, We thank thee for dear college friends, The dead and the living who render A joy that no sorrowing ends.—CHO.

Phi Delta for our youngest fellows,
Phi Delta for present dear days,
The heart at this banqueting mellows,
And lifts up a song in their praise.—CHO.

We know they are true to thy glory,
We know that they honor thee well,
That thine ever so beautiful story
Each year in its going will tell.—CHO.
JOHN M. SCOTT, Lafayette '80.

# NORMAN BUCK.

# Wisconsin Alpha, '59.

The oldest member of the alumni chapter of Spokane, Washington, is Judge Norman Buck. Judge Buck is a native of Erie County, State of New York. While yet a mere boy his father emigrated to Batavia, Kane County, Illinois, and thence in 1848 to Washington County, Wisconsin. In 1859 Judge Buck graduated from Lawrence University at Appleton, Wisconsin, with high honors, being the valedictorian of his class. During the same year he became a member of Phi Delta Theta and has ever since evinced much interest in the welfare of the

In 1860 he graduated from the Albany Law School and was thereupon admitted to practice in all the Courts in New York State. Shortly after his admission to the bar he decided to return West, and located at Winona, Minn. When the civil war came on, Judge Buck responded to to the call, enlisting as a private in Company D., 7th Regiment, Minnesota Infantry Volunteers, and was at once elected First Lieutenant of his Company. In a short time he was chosen Captain. One characteristic of the Judge which has been so clearly exemplified in his eventful as well as useful career, was shown in his army life. From the time he enlisted, he was never off duty until the end of the war. Not once did he apply or receive a furlough, nor was he ever upon the sick list. His sturdy adherence to his duty has made him a very fit subject for the great honors which have been conferred upon him in the legal world, and is one secret of his success in filling the very responsible position he now holds so acceptably.

Upon his return to Winona after the war he was immediately appointed Probate Judge, which position he very creditably filled for a period of three years, when disease of the eyes which he had contracted while in the war, compelled him to resign. Having recovered from this affliction, he resumed the practice of his profession and in 1872 he was honored by being elected Prosecuting Attorney of Winona County. He was re-elected to this position in 1874. President Hayes appointed Judge Buck United States Attorney for the Territory of Idaho in the year 1878, and the next year honored him still farther by appointing him Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Idaho. So ably did he fill this position and with such eminent satisfaction to all parties concerned that in 1884, President Arthur saw fit to re-appoint him, and when President Cleveland assumed control of the Government, he recognized Judge Buck's sterling qualities by retaining him in office for a period of two years and until his term of office expired. In 1888 there was a movement on foot to annex the northern portion of Idaho to the Territory of Washington, prior to the latter's admission into the Union. The agitators of this plan, desiring to accomplish that object, selected Judge Buck as their candidate for Congress upon that issue. While he was defeated he made a splendid race against great odds.

In 1889 he located at Spokane where he resumed the practice of his profession, and in 1892 was elected Judge of the Supreme Court of the State of Washington, in and for Spokane County, which position he now holds and in

which he is giving most excellent satisfaction.

Judge Buck's career, both as a soldier and also in the legal work, has been wonderfully successful, and it is certainly gratifying to see that the public has recognized his excellent qualities by reposing in him so much trust and honor. Such men are needed in every section of the land, and especially in the new and growing West where everything is in more or less of a formative period, and such influences are needed to mould and direct public opinion.

As has already been intimated, Judge Buck is an enthusiastic and loyal member of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and takes much pleasure in greeting a "Brother in the Bond" and thereby renewing old ties and recalling many pleasant memories.

W. E. WILLIS, Wabash, '89.

# THREE LETTERS.

THAT WILL BE OF INTEREST TO PHIS GENERALLY.

I.

House of Representatives U. S., Washington, D. C., April 21, 1893.

MESSRS F. D. CURRY,

L. R. CURRY, AND

J. T. WILSON,

Centre College, Phi Delta Theta, Danville, Ky.

DEAR SIRS AND BROTHERS—I beg to state in compliance with request of circular of March and in view of proposed publication of alumni that I am no longer on the bench, having voluntarily quit that bright calling or occupation after eighteen years of arduous service and have become a wandering statemen, by many irreverent, people, termed a political tramp, or as you and I would seriously say, a member of Congress. As the fellow said who kissed his sweetheart and was asked not to tell it, if you feel as much ashamed of this new movement of mine as I do, you can keep on putting me down as a Judge in your new catalogue,

If, however, truth is still mighty and you think in your iuvenescent wisdom that she has any chance—worth speaking about—to prevail at this juncture in our affairs by no means don't sacrifice her on my account, but in the language of the executive, tell the truth, and let me go down as an M. C. If Alex Humphrey and Johnny Boyle, two honored and loved class mates, (and alack the Kentucky Bill Yerkes', who is on the ground) don't happen to cast their lynx eyes on the sad line that marks my downward career I shall be content. The dear noble fellows; 'twas Alex who made me become a Phi, yet neither he nor his co-conspirators, Johnny and "Williams," have ever recked of the waif from this far away land in whom they planted such a love for grips, passwords, signs, etc., that I have joined any thing secret that has come along since, and this may account for its outcropping in this case when I ask you to spread its mantle or veil over my present occupation and society.

Badinage aside I wish you much success in our noble Order, it is fruitful of good, it implants good principles and encourages upright conduct.

Fraternally yours,

T. M. PASCHAL, Kentucky Alpha, '66.

## II.

PORT TOWNSEND, WASH., April 12, 1893.

A. G. WORK, Oxford, Ohio,

MY DEAR BROTHER IN THE BOND—Enclosed I send you, as per request, my photograph for placing in the collection of photographs now being made by the Ohio Alpha

Chapter of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

I have in my possession a little mahogany veneered box in which was originally kept by our Ohio Alpha Chapter, in the inception and infancy of the Order, the constitution and other documents and which was then, with our primitive ideas, esteemed by us as a handsome one. It fell into my hands, as I remember, while I was at college and of the active membership of the Fraternity, upon the substitution for it of a new and more seemly depository, the procurement of which was induced by the loss from the old one by theft, and the exposure to the public, of our constitution, bond, etc. The lock was broken and removed at the time by the thieves, and the box remains today, in that respect, in the condition in which it was then left.

I should be glad to turn over this relic of the early days of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  to the parent chapter to which it properly belongs, if it is desired. I await an exposition of the

wish of the chapter in the premises.

With very pleasant recollections of my college connection with and associations in the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and with cordial wishes for the ever increasing prosperity of the Order and all its sons, I remain,

Yours faithfully and fraternally, J. N. Scott, Ohio Alpha, '56.

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June 5, 1893.

C. B. HILL, Esq., Of Ohio Alpha, & A. O., Oxford, Ohio,

DEAR BROTHER—Your favor of the 1st communicating an invitation to me to be present at the annual banquet of the Ohio Alpha,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , on the 13th day of the current month, at old Miami, is before me.

I sincerely regret that my remoteness here on the Pacific Coast from the scene of your proposed festivities, will prevent my attendance. In lieu send you today by prepaid express, for presentation to the Ohio Alpha, an old and somewhat interesting relic of the early days of

the Fraternity. It is the original depository there of the constitution, bond, etc., of the Order. During my college days at Miami this box was broken open and the constitution, bond, and other papers stolen from it and made public. A new and safer depository was then provided and this old one fell into my hands where it has been ever since—something over thirty-six years. I send it with the marks of the despoiler upon it just as it was when I received it, save the natural additional wear and tear of the changes of the years that have passed since. I return it as properly belonging to the chapter and hope it may be preserved by you and your successors as an interesting relic of the past. I send you also for like disposition an old catalogue of the University for 1838, printed in rather primitive style, by R. H. Bishop, Ir., who was afterward for a long series of years Professor of the Latin Language in the University, and more recently deceased. I found it among other papers of my recently deceased father, one of the early Professors of the University, and I know of no better or more appropriate disposition to make of it, than to send it to my old Fraternity.

Please convey to the brethren my very cordial greeting on the occasion of the annual banquet about to be celebrated, and my best wishes for the prosperity and happi-

ness of each and all.

Fraternally yours, J. N. Scott, Ohio Alpha, '56.

#### WILLIAMS—A CENTENNIAL SONNET.

The changing shadows on the circling hills
Grow longer and longer; brightening in the West,
Where piled clouds like farther mountains rest,
The sunset glory the horizon fills.
Enthroned, the stately college turns her face
To those strong walls that gird her fair domain,
A fairer queen, to whom the years but gain
Have brought, in strength and dignity and grace.
In the near night, unwavering, she sees
The sunset of an hundred finished years,—
Unwavering, and knows not doubts and fears,—
It is not night that comes, the darkness flees
Before the dawning of a day more bright,
A century of larger life and light.

GEORGE L. RICHARDSON, Williams, '88. In the Williams Literary Monthly.

# ALUMNI INTEREST.

## NEW WORDS TO AN OLD SONG.

Ever since we began to do active work for Phi Delta Theta this question has been constantly before us: How can we secure and keep alive the interest of the alumni in the local chapter? Having thus far been unable to answer this question satisfactorily, we should like to hear from different chapters how they have met this difficulty. It has been our experience that the boys upon graduation promise unfailing loyalty to their chapter, and we believe in all good faith. For two or three years no fault can be found, but as the cares of professional life grow in magnitude upon their hands and the recollection of the pleasant times spent in the chapter room grow dim, these promises are forgotten, until finally they change their location without even notifying the chapter. When the annual circular letter is sent out it is returned and all connection between the chapter and the individual is broken. Such surely is not the ideal alumnus. But such is the history of scores of men who promise never to grow lukewarm to the cause in which they have enlisted. It is also true that there are a great many who go out from college who never forget their chapter, and who are not only interested in what goes on in the chapter, but also in letting the chapter know what they are doing. For them we have nothing but words of praise.

We have sometimes thought that part of this disinterestedness, we shall not say disloyalty, was due to the fact that with graduation the financial obligation to the chapter and to the fraternity ceases. Perhaps if the alumni were called upon at stated times to contribute to the fraternity they might show a more active interest. But we believe in most cases it is not so much dollars and cents that the chapter asks as an assurance of good will on the part of the alumnus and a knowledge of the fact that he rejoices in the prosperity of his chapter and feels deeply its failure. Surely it is not too much to ask the alumnus for a letter occasionally informing those in college of his movements, and allowing them to rejoice over whatever good fortune he has come into possession of. Nor is it too much to expect that those who live within reasonable distance shall be present at commencement, and by their presence give encouragement to the

active members.

This much we have observed. The man who, while in college, does the most for his chapter and learns the most about the aims and motives of his fraternity is the man who, out of college, is ever alert for anything of interest to his chapter, and in whose heart the zeal for the fraternity is never allowed to cool. Is this then the answer to the question? Can we by enlisting each man in some special line of work while in college secure inestimable benefits for the local chapter and at the same time be fitting him to do valiant service for the Order when his college days are ended? We believe this will go far toward lessening the chances of the alumnus drifting away from his chapter.

Being a member of the mother chapter, whose alumni are numerous and widely scattered, perhaps we may have over-estimated the lack of loyalty. But we believe the difficulty we have cited will be common to all chapters, and our hope is that others may be led to express their opinions upon this subject. We trust that those of our own alumni who read this may take it as a gentle rebuke and that they may in the future be more loyal to the chapter from which they have gone out, and to the Order of which we all have reason to be proud.

A. G. Work, *Miami*, '03.

# A CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTION.

A rather curious constitutional question has recently come to light. As it involves a question upon which there seems to be considerable doubt and difference of opinion, a discussion of it may of value. It arose in this manner: Some years ago X— was a member of Alpha Chapter and tendered his resignation which was accepted. Later he went to the University where Beta Chapter is located and was requested to affiliate with them. Thereupon X— communicated to T— of the Beta Chapter the fact, that he had had trouble with the Alpha Chapter and had resigned. T— asked him if he considered he had resigned from the Fraternity or from the Chapter—and upon his saying the latter, T— advised him that he could unite with the Beta Chapter, and upon T—'s suggestion nothing was said to that Chapter about his previous resignation.

To begin with, it is clear that X— was not a member of the Fraternity at that time, and that the Beta Chapter had no authority to receive him as such. In the Constitution, Article XI, Sections 6 and 7, three methods of dealing with members are provided. First, a member desiring to withdraw, may present a written petition to be permitted to withdraw; second, the Chapter may expel a member; third, he may be suspended by the Chapter. It is only necessary in this connection to consider the first of these provisions. The language, which is in Section 6, is as follows: "Any person desiring to withdraw from the Fraternity." If this provision means anything at all, it clearly means that such a resignation is from the Fraternity at large, and not merely from the Chapter. It provides the means of resignation for those "desiring to withdraw from the Fraternity."

In support of this view, is the fact, that in the same Section of the Constitution it is provided, that upon the acceptance of his petition, he shall surrender his badge, and the Treasurer shall pay him its value. Why surrender his badge, if he still retains his membership in the

Fraternity.

As no provision is made in the Constitution, for withdrawal merely from the Chapter, except for the purpose of affiliating with another Chapter, the best opinion would undoubtedly be, that a member could not resign, except from the Fraternity itself. This is both wise and expedient. If a member cannot agree with the Chapter that initiated him and gave him membership in the Fraternity, his resignation from that Chapter should carry with it his resignation from the Fraternity.

A further question, however, is involved. Beta Chapter desires to reinstate X—. The only provision upon this point in the Constitution, is as follows: "No Chapter may initiate any person who has been expelled from any other Chapter, and no expelled person may affiliate with

any other Chapter."

Following a well established principle of construction, as the Constitution deals with the question of initiating ex-members, and does not prohibit the initiation of resigned members, it is permissible; in other words, the Constitution only forbids the initiating of one class of ex-members—namely, those who have been expelled. The conclusion then would seem to be that one who has resigned from one Chapter, may be initiated again by any Chapter that desires to do so.

It should be said, however, that it is undoubtedly bad practice for a Chapter to initiate a man, who has resigned from another Chapter. Those who are familiar with the growth of the Constitution, will recall that this provision concerning expelled members, was inserted as the result of an aggravating case where one Chapter had initiated a member expelled from another Chapter. The movers in the matter did not intentionally omit resigned members from this provision, but it was simply overlooked. They had in mind the particular evil, and framed a constitutional provision to meet it.

It is bad practice because in a large percentage of cases the resignation is the result of a compromise to avoid the unpleasantness of an expulsion. In the very case mentioned above, the records of Alpha Chapter showed that charges had been prepared against X—, and he was brought up for expulsion, but the action was averted by the "offer and unqualified acceptance of his

resignation."

There is much to be said upon both sides of the question, but the best practice would be for Beta Chapter to communicate the facts to Alpha Chapter, and request its consent to the initiation. Comity demands such a course, and it would prevent dissatisfaction amongst the chapters. If the consent were refused by the Alpha chapter, then Beta should undoubtedly refuse to initiate X—; it being much better to regard the wishes of Alpha than to acquire a new member under such circumstances.

In the case under consideration, X—— stated that the causes which led to his resignation were personal rather than arising from any breach of his obligations. whatever X——'s statements, whether they are true or not, it is clear that Alpha's wishes should control in the matter. It is true that Alpha Chapter permitted a resignation when they should have expelled, and thus settled the matter once for all; but, on the other hand, it must be remembered that the acceptance of a resignation in lieu of expulsion was an act of grace to X——. It was undoubtedly a favor to him to be allowed to resign when he was charged with a violation of his obligations. It was as much his duty to have demanded a trial and vindication as it was the duty of the Chapter to have given him a trial, and if he consented to a compromise, he should be bound by Alpha's wishes upon the question of re-initiation. If he feared to be wronged by the verdict of a trial, an appeal to the Convention was open to him. It seems advisable therefore that X——should be made to abide by the wishes of Alpha Chapter. It should be said, however, that the same comity which demands that Beta Chapter should ask the consent of Alpha Chapter, also demands that Alpha Chapter should deal with the question with the utmost fairness and not withhold their consent when it could possibly in good faith be given.

FRANK D. SWOPE, Hanover, '85.

## INITIATION POEM.

READ AT THE INITIATION BANQUET OF NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, November 3d, 1893.

BY KENT KNOWLTON, '93.

The fallen leaves are lying brown and sere,
The moon, so bright at harvest, now shines wan
And pale, while wintry winds are howling drear,
And sobbing out the dirge of summer gone.
But what is weather

To Phis so gay?
We'll sing together
A merry lay.

Come! Away with care and sadness,
Pass the brimming cup around;
'Tis a time of mirth and gladness.
Where're jovial friends are found.
'Tis a time to banish sorrows,
Time to lose all thought of morrows.
'Tis the gay time
Of life's May time,

Though the dead leaves strew the ground, So away with care and sadness,
Pass the brimming cup around.

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There is a College deep among the hills,

Though old in years, in spirit young and strong;
At thought of which each heart with rapture thrills,

To Dartmouth let us raise a hearty song.

The Dartmouth spirit
To our song we'll bring—
Let the world hear it,
As challenge we fling.

Here's to Dartmouth old and hoary!
Here's to Dartmouth ever young!
Let us sing her fame and glory,—
Sing a song with heart and tongue,
Till the skies re-echo o'er us
With the mighty-sounding chorus,
Throbbing proudly,
Swelling loudly,
Of a song as yet unsung.
Here's to Dartmouth old and hoary!
Here's to Dartmouth ever young!

With joy old Dartmouth welcomes to her fold Another band of eager-hearted youth; With joy we greet our portion to uphold Phi Delta's banner, purity and truth.

New Phis, so loval,

And brave and true,

With greeting royal,

We welcome you.

On your breast the jewelled token
Of Phi Delta Theta gleams.
Sign of faith that ne'er is broken,
Pure its golden radiance beams,
Lighting up our paths of duty,
Shining on our realms of beauty,
Beauty glowing
With the growing,
Light of love that from it streams.
On your breast the jewelled token
Of Phi Delta Theta gleams.

The gladdest song we'll raise before we part,
We'll sing of love and friendship merrily,
As brother, meeting brother heart to heart,
Joins in the praise of our fraternity.
Phi Delta Theta,
Thy gentle power,
Greater and greater

Grows every hour.

Brother, hand in hand with brother,
Sing we our Fraternity
Let us laud our common mother,
Mother of the brave and free.
Every bounding pulse rejoices,
As again we raise our voices,
Singing gladly,
Singing madly,
In a burst of parting glee.
Brother, hand in hand with brother.
Sing we our Fraternity.

The feast is ended—harsh, the beams of day
Will soon creep in and drown the feeble light
Of lamps and tapers, now so warm and bright,
Hushed is the sound of song and merry lay,
The feasters slowly, sadly steal away.
The revelry seems like the vague delight

That lingers from some vision of the night, To mingle with the morning's sombre gray.

Lo, with a start of waking conscienceness,
The unreal dreams with which our sleep was rife
We banish and return to earnest life.
But still the vision in its loveliness
May linger fondly in the heart to bless
The toiler in his weary round of strife.

# BANQUET SONG.

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Comrades, fill the banquet cup
Brimming up!
Fill it full of love and laughter,
Claret lips and kisses after,
Crown it with a maiden's smiles,
And the foam of magic wiles.
Drink it, drain it, clink your glasses,
For the love of loving lasses
Ere it passes!

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Fill again the banquet cup,
Brimming up!
Overflow it with the roses,
Which her timid blush discloses.
With her sparkling eyelight sift it,
Till it flavored is. Then lift it.
Drink it, drain it, clink your glasses
For the love of loving lasses
Ere it passes!

III.

Comrades, fill a parting cup
Brimming up!
Flood it in your praise's zest,
For the uninvited guest.
With her charms and graces fill it
Touch the lips and heart-ward spill it.
Drink it, drain it, clink your glasses,
For the love of loving lasses
Ere it passes!

EDWIN O. GROVER, Dartmouth, '9s. In the Dartmouth Literary Monthly.

# EDITORIAL.

VERY free criticisms of several fraternities appear in an article published in the October Beta Theta Pi. The article is unsigned, but as it contains the editorial plural, it presumably was written by the editor. An attempt is made to show that  $B \odot \Pi$  is the fraternity par excellence, and that other college societies are of but little account in comparison. Wooglin alone is perfect. About all the friendship that exists in fraternities is found in  $B \odot \Pi$ . A  $\Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Psi \Upsilon$  and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  are totally deficient in that in which  $B \odot \Pi$  is so rich, while other fraternities have very grave defects. All this is very ridiculous, but  $B \odot \Pi$  lays the flattering unction to its soul. "In the first place," says the author of the article, whoever he is, " $B \odot \Pi$  announces as her foundation rock unselfish and lasting friendship."

After a labored elaboration of this assertion, he endeavors, without great success, to make the idea more luminous by indulging in the following complicated metaphor: "The seven colors that the prism of life throws up in the darkened room of daily competition in politics, religion, medicine, scholarship, scientific research and business, are merged into a single ray of transparent white light in the noonday sun of B @ II."

Other fraternities are thus disparaged, not to say libeled:—

Our esteemed rivals, the  $A \Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Psi \Upsilon$ ,  $\Delta K E$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and  $\Delta \Upsilon$ , and the host of others, each have their leading thought different from  $B \Theta \Pi$ .  $A \Delta \Phi$  seeks literary culture for its own sake. It is the love for the neatly-turned sentence, for the refinements that scholarly attainments bring with them, that it aspires to. The tendency in some places is to a cold intellectuality that has no responsive heart-beat when the hands of pseudo brothers are clasped. Sometimes the sentiment of refinement takes the form in some of its chapters in externals, and the latest cut of clothes takes the place of the latest advance in thought. Let the man whose heart is set alone upon books and not upon his fellow man become a member of  $A \Delta \Phi$ .

 $\Upsilon$  cares not for friendship nor for literary excellence, but longs for those possessing a record of distinguished ancestors. It is not

who you are, but from whom have you sprung, that answers the question that opens the heart of the Y Y. Possibly Americans have been too careless in this matter of ancestral glory, and the Y Y fraternity is doing a great work in digging about the roots of the American genealogical trees and shaking off occasionally a plum into the + T In this way a pleasant body of gentlemen could be associated together if genealogical trees did not have the same peculiarity that natural trees have some seasons, in bearing wormy fruit. often happens that the older the tree the greater the liability that the fruit be small, twisted, sour and incapable of use. If good fathers had good sons and good uncles good nephews, then a perusal of the names of conspicuous old Psi U.'s would be an index to the characters of the fellows of the later generation. If a student's heart is wrapped up in the history of his family, and he lives in the glories of the past, rather than the future, let him by all means become a Psi U.

The  $\Delta$  K E's may be termed the epicureans of fraternity life. Their motto ought to be "eat, drink, and be merry, for to-morrow you die." There is an element of attractive, whole-souled, open-hearted generosity in the majority of Dekes that appeals strongly to the undergraduate. The Dekes for the most part live the kind of a college life that the student preparing for college revels in when he is in the dime-novel stage of his existence. There is a tendency, however, for the Deke to graduate early in his sophomore year, or, if he graduates later with the rest of his class, to have become a confirmed believer in the vanity of all things human. If the student wants a short life and a merry one, he should become a Deke.

The  $\phi$   $\Delta$   $\theta$  is at bottom political in its make-up and aspirations. It works for large bodies of voters, and it goes through the colleges and college politics like a besom of destruction. It wants members, and each member may or may not be a brother, but every time he is a voter. Wherever there is a Phi Delta chapter, it is safe to expect that they will get all honors that are capable of being controlled by college politics. In a country such as ours, where the most conspicuous thing a man can engage in is political life, the training given by connection with the  $\phi$   $\Delta$   $\theta$  is extremely valuable. To students with political ambitions, regardless of friendship, the  $\phi$   $\Delta$   $\theta$  supplies the want.

Continuing his strictures, the writer says: "The  $\Delta$  Y believes earnestly in being a secret fraternity upon a strictly anti-fraternity basis," and he perpetrates a pun, mean in a double sense, in saying that when a new collegian is made a Delta Up. he is "D-U-ped."

In concluding he says: "There are a number of good men annually snared into certain organizations by their lack of information of college fraternities, who, had they been less unfortunate, would have made first-class fraternity men." This is sheer impudence. The only meaning it can be intended to have is that members of B @ II always make first-class fraternity men, that members of other fraternities do not, and that these fraternities or "organizations" ensnare men, instead of working according to honest methods. Nothing so offensive has appeared in any other fraternity magazine during recent years.

The statements regarding  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  are wild assertions, without any foundation in fact. A greater injustice could not be done to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  than to declare that there is a lack of friendship between its members. As to political aspirations of its members, what reason has B @ II to consider it a fault? Every reader of the Beta Theta Pi during former years remembers the boasts it has made of the number of Beta Congressmen, governors, etc., and its eulogistic biographies of Betas in public life, published over and over again. Perhaps the prominence of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ candidates in the last two presidential elections has made B @ II conclude that political prestige is not such a great thing after all. As to Phis taking part in college politics, no statistics are obtainable, but it is doubtless true that the Betas strive to get all the honors they can in college politics and are no less aspiring in this way than the Phis. As to the number of colleges in which  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has established chapters it is a fact that up to ten years ago B@ II led it in number of chapters, and since then has been its closest competitor in this respect. As to the number of members in  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  chapters, good statistics fortunately are at hand. The August Beta Theta Pi, which contains statistical reports from all but two of the active chapters of BOII, furnishes the following figures showing the attendant membership of the two fraternities in colleges where both of them are organized :-

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Dartmouth College						33	39
Amherst College, .						34	31
Brown University, .						26	29
Cornell University						25	26
Union University, .						14	12
Syracuse University,						2 I	2 I
Washington and Jefferson	C	olle	ge			II	12
Dickinson College, .						12	15
Lehigh University, .						14	12
University of Virginia,						20	15
Richmond College, .						10	7
University of North Caroli						13	7
Centre College,						12	13
Vanderbilt University,						16	25
University of Mississippi						2	13
University of Texas,						19	10
Miami University, .						12	6
Ohio Wesleyan University						12	16
Ohio University, .						Io	. 13
University of Wooster.						12	7
Ohio State University.						18	15
Indiana University.						13	24
Wabash College,						17	14
Hanover College, .						10	9
De Pauw University, .						13	19
University of Michigan.						29	19
Northwestern Universit						15	14
Knox College, .						15	15
University of Wisconsin.						25	29
University of Missouri,						15	18
Westminster College, .						15	15
Iowa Wesleyan University	٠,					11	14
State University of Iowa,						18	18
University of Minnesota,						22	13
University of Kansas, .						28	12
University of Nebraska.						12	13
University of California,						31	14
Total, .						635	604

It will be seen that in 37 colleges B  $\Theta$  II has 31 more attendant members than  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . The average membership per chapter is: B  $\Theta$  II, 17.16;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 16.32.

As a matter of fact the attendant membership of all ΦΔΘ Chapters is not, and never has been, as high as 16, as shown by annual statistical reports, which reports have, during the past eight years, been published in the SCROLL. This average for the entire Fraternity has seldom if ever been below 14, and never above 15. Reviews of college annuals for the past seven years, in which the average membership of the several Fraternities have been compared, show the average of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and  $B \Theta \Pi$  to be very nearly equal. This same October Beta Theta Pi contains an editorial which urges Chapters to initiate more members, and which says: "As a rule our Chapters are much too small. While this depends somewhat upon local custom and surroundings, it may be safely said that a freshmen delegation of six, united with an effort to maintain them embership throughout at not less than four in each of the upper classes, will usually make a good working Chapter."

So the Beta Theta Pi advocates that at least eighteen be not the average, but the minimum of chapter membership, unless there are exceptional reasons of local character for a reduced number, and yet of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , which has an average in the whole Fraternity of fifteen per chapter, this chamelion logician, says: "It works for large bodies of voters, and it goes through the colleges and college politics like a besom of destruction. It wants members."

This number of the Beta Theta Pi is the first under the editorship of Mr. F. Rooney, a graduate of the Syracuse chapter of that fraternity.

The Beta Theta Pi verv likely remembers that there was a chapter of Phi Delta Theta at Syracuse University. Our New York Epsilon Chapter originated at Syracuse University in 1881 as the  $\Sigma \Psi$ , local, society and was merged into Phi Delta Theta in 1887. The smallest membership in any year since then was 14, the largest 28. In no year

has it been numerically the largest chapter in Syracuse University. The Beta Theta Pi Chapter, the latest comer at Syracuse, established in 1888, has until the last year been the smallest chapter in the University. In '89 it had 11 members, in '91, it had 14, and it was not until 1893 that the number had grown to 21, when it was no longer the smallest chapter among those of the University.

The average membership of our New York Epsilon for the eight scholastic years of its existence is 21, that of the Syracuse of B @ II is considerably lower, while the average for the chapters for the same time is 24.

In the editorial of this same number already quoted from the *Beta Theta Pi* says "we do not like to see a Beta Chapter of only eleven members in a college of three hundred and fifty students, and eight or nine rivals each with chapters of from sixteen to twenty men. That is not an evidence of exclusiveness, but foolishness."

The history of the New York Epsilon of Phi Delta Theta is one that comprises an unusually long list of college honors. From the inception of the chapter to the present time it has been successful in all the lines wherein college men compete for recognition. In the class room, in literary work, in athletics, in social and class affairs, in every phase of work the chapter has been honored by the achievements of her members. A perusal of the chapter letters and the college annual reviews in the past seven volumes of the SCROLL will give at length the honors which are merely spoken of here. So marked has been this eminence of the chapter, that if such a thing as comparisons were entered into, we believe that in proportion to membership, it would stand among the highest in honors, and that it would surpass the Beta Theta Pi chapter in this respect. Whether or not this latter is the case, its high standing is unquestioned.

Now these are facts. Facts which it may be well to place beside the statement which the *Beta Theta Pi* gives forth. The earlier and local experiences of a fraternity man at times strongly tincture his later generalizations in

fraternity work. At times there is also tendency for a chapter to affect a virtue where none exists in order to cover a weakness which circumstances have thrown upon it. The "quality and quantity" expression so much used by chapter correspondents is we believe oftener the creation of adversity than the sign of a more careful selection on the part of the chapter. The Beta Theta Pi evidently believes this, and its strictures upon Phi Delta Theta's numbers turns into lamentable wailing when it follows them up with advice to Beta Chapters to increase their numbers.

Whether the Beta Theta Pi speaks from the local experiences of its editor or from observation of the Fraternity at large, in either case, the statements in regard to Phi Delta Theta are not consonant with facts. Its remark about lack of friendship is the merest rot—a petty subterfuge to emphasize an aspect of Beta Theta Pi that should not need such bolstering. Had such remarks been offered orally at a Beta gathering, where none but Betas were present we could not be surprised, nor should we take exception. It is eminently proper that the noise of "sounding brass and tinkling cymbal" should be heard in the camp of the Greek at intervals. It serves to jolly him up. In this case, however, the statement is made in an article sent out confessedly as a document to be used in rushing new men. We know of several instances in which this article and statement have been used as an actual argument against the Phi chapters in contests over men. Members of a fraternity readily accept the dictum of their magazine in regard to rival societies, and these chapters are simply using a cue handed them by their official organ. In the case of Phi Delta Theta, it has given forth a statement, whether of malice or ignorance we know not. but which we brand as false.

FRATERNITY journalism of today differs quite essentially from what it was in the *sub-rosa* days of ten, twelve and fifteen years ago. The article just referred to in the

Beta Theta Pi seems like an echo from the old days when items went the rounds to the effect that one fraternity had a chapter of Jews at the University of Georgia, that another initiated colored students at Emory College, that such and such chapters of this, that and the other fraternity were a set of pimps, and that every other secret order but their own was going to the "tarnal damns."

Such a spirit had its day and has happily passed to the hindermost behind. Chapter correspondents occasionally wax indignant when smarting under some local disturbance with rivals, and offer some high explosives for publication which, if not suppressed by the editorial blue pencil, usually carry but little weight. It is seldom the case now-a-days that the editorial phase of a magazine lends itself to any sentiment or utterance but what is above question. In the personal experience of the present management of The Scroll but twice has this publication deemed it necessary to answer indictments of any member of the Greek Press.

We think this speaks well for fraternity journalism. We believe that, taken as a whole, no other branch of journalism is conducted on a higher plane, and it is the constant effort of its several members to impress upon their constituencies a high sense of personal honor.

The College Fraternity is no more. Over its grave has risen The University Review. Fertilized by such soil, the first two numbers of this publication have come to us not as tender sprigs of journalistic art, but full blown, full grown and well matured.

The College Fraternity was well received and met with good words wheresoever it went. But many questioned how it was going to solve the problem of making the ends meet. Such a publication had no regular and well defined constituency amongst which it could build up a stable patronage. It had to look to the particularly

active generation of fraternity men, a body that quickly changes. However, that's none of ours. We enjoyed it and wish it could have lived to prosper long past our day.

The University Review, as its name implies, will cover a wider field. Mr. F. M. Crossett, than whom none is better fitted for the place, will continue as business manager. Mr. Randolph withdraws from the editorship, which place will hereafter be filled by Mr. M. M. Miller, a member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity. The Review will deal with all things of moment in the college world. As Fraternities are an important element therein, a department of "Fraternity News" will be continued under charge of Mr. Randolph. The fall numbers have had considerable to say of "foot ball," and other outdoor college sports will receive attention at their proper season.

While we enjoyed the *College Fraternity* greatly, and regret to see the fraternity feature relegated to a subordinate place in the *Review*, yet we believe the college man, fraternity as well as non-fraternity, will find much more that is new and of interest under the new plan than the old.

We bespeak a good word for the Review. We hope it will find many readers among Phis. Its address is 202 Fifth avenue, New York. The terms are \$2.00 per year. Club arrangements are such that the Review and The Scroll can both be had for \$2.50 a year.

It is with no little pleasure and interest that we have welcomed exchanges to The Scroll at the beginning of a new college year. Were all these magazines accessible to The Scroll's constituency it would not be long until each assumed an individuality that was separate from the Greek name it might happen to have. For ten years two of these have come to us, and for the past seven years the remainder have visited us with as much regularity as is possible under changing editors and managers. In this time the personality of each has become well marked.

None of our visitors have undergone less of change in the past four years than has the Kappa Alpha Journal. Its mechanical appearance—printed on heavy paper and bound in its gold-lettered, silver white cover-has remained the same, while it has had no change in management. There is a vivacity about the Journal that is refreshing. Its literary department is always well filled, with contributions of variable length, and more variable merit. Some of these advocate one thing, and some the opposite, but on turning to the editorial and official pages you are pretty sure to find there the well-matured, dignified expression of the best thoughts of Kappa Alpha, and policies advocated that will not turn with the wind. The Journal says the perennial subject of Northern extension suffered its usual defeat at its late convention, and the fraternity will devote itself to assiduously cultivating its Southern fields, endeavoring to be first there, rather than contented to be second elsewhere. Keeble has been in charge of the Journal four years and now begins a term of service for the ensuing two years. Its publication office is Nashville.

THE Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly is another that has maintained a very uniform appearance and personality. While its publication office was changed two years since from Meadville to Baltimore, its management remained the same. Mr. F. C. Howe has been its editor up to the present time. We do not know what disposition the recently held convention at Minneapolis, made of it for the ensuing year. We hope that it will continue in the same successful lines as heretofore.

To us the D. K. E. Quarterly has changed much. While in type and general form it remains the same, yet the old design on the cover has been replaced by a new, and what is more of a change, new names adorn the title page as editors. We confess that the change is agreeable. The Quarterly seems natural, and the chapter letters read

like correspondence from genuine enthusiastic undergraduates. Time was when from cover to cover its contents bore the one stamp that was gained in the editorial revising machine, which while dignified, gave the magazine a musty manufactured tone that did not carry the conviction with it that the unaltered original would. The October Quarterly bewails the delinquencies of chapter correspondents, saying "we receive few fraternity pulications in which the letters are not more carefully and conscientiously written than in our Quarterly." This number contains interesting contributions, as have its predeces-Two of them deal in reminiscences of the old Washington and Lee and University of Chicago chapters, the writers advocating their revival. We understand that the renewal of the Chicago charter was authorized by the recent convention. The Quarterly's abode remains at the New York Club House, 435 Fifth avenue.

THE MOST ponderous and formidable document received for these months is The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. On its cover a Greek temple shows through the clouds before which floats the flag of SAE. prepares us for a more tangible place of abode and within we find a cut of the house being built for the University of Michigan chapter, of which chapter a group portrait is given. A number of other illustrations appear. For some two years the Record has been under the editorial care of Mr. H. H. Cowan, P. O. Box 623, Pittsburg, Pa., and is published by W. L. Lowrie from Elgin, Ill., both editor and the manager being graduates of the Adrian (Mich.) chapter. It has shown no little energy and has been well patronized by contributions from associate editors and chapter correspondents. No little chaff has been mixed with the wheat. New chapters and biographies of honorary members have formed an important part of its contents. The editorials have been bristled with E A E enthusiasm. The expression of much in these might need to be modified in the light of conservative judgment.

Most marked in contrast with the massive Record comes the emaciated Shield of Phi Kappa Psi. A washier color to the cover and a finished instead of rough paper have contributed to this emaciation, partly real, partly apparent. On one of its forty-six pages is the announcement that the Shield for the present year at least will not appear as a monthly. The editor, Mr. C. L. VanCleve. the patriarch in Greek editorial circles, has kicked against the pricks (alas in vain), and it was with reluctance he consented to this temporary arrangement. Under his management The Shield has been marked by the vigor and broad judgment of its editorials, and its contributed articles while not too numerous or lengthy, have been furnished by men of experience—so that its pages have not been given to amateurish debate on questions of well settled policy.

In fact, so well defined is the course of the *Shield* and so marked its editorial personality, that one can anticipate the character of coming numbers from the one at hand. We would be glad if the *Shield* would get up some kind of excitement, raise a row and a rumpus over something instead of showing a philosophical rule in everything that is or is to be.

So much in love is the editor with the plan of the monthly that we need not carry to his ear the seductive advantages of a bi monthly.

Five YEARS ago there was little personality to the other Shield, that of Theta Delta Chi. The struggle for existence was too fierce to allow a personality to surmount it. The irregular numbers of the Shield came from New York City, and were inclosed in a cover that had the most hideous design which ever made eyes blush. Then it was that Mr. Clay W. Holmes, an alumnus of the Lafayette charge, class of '69, came forward and took hold of the

magazine under an agreement that he be given its exclusive control for five years. This term expires this month. Little reason had @ A X from what had preceded, to expect the handsome plethoric magazine which has been given her during these years. Mr. Holmes has made a success of the Shield. He has conducted it on lines in which few others would care to exactly follow. At times the editorial and personal in the Shield seemed as prominent as the Theta Delta Chi features. But these are matters on which the editor and his fraternity were to judge. It is only ours to say that he made a success where others failed. During this time @ A X has prospered better than before. The September issue under his management is as attractive as previous numbers, though not so widely diversified in contents. Shield passes from Mr. Holmes' hands we fear we will not be so much interested in  $\Theta \triangle X$  as heretofore.

NUMBER 2 of Volume XXI of the Beta Theta Pi comes from a new editorial office, 243 Broadway, New York City, and Mr. F. M. Rooney fills the tripod. Surely it was a novelty for this magazine to give up its old habitation in Cincinnati. But a change is sometimes necessary to get out of ruts. All we can say now is that from the October number we believe B @ II has profited by the change. There is an enthusiasm in its pages which had been lacking for the past two or three years. We have taken issue with some of the lines of this number as will be seen elsewhere, but as the "official organ of the Fraternity," we think, so long as it attends to its own knitting the Beta Theta Pi promises to do very well, thank you.

MR. GRANT W. HARRINGTON makes his home at Hiawatha, Kansas. Mr. Harrington's fraternity is Sigma Nu. Mr. Harrington's magazine is The Delta of Sigma Nu, published for the fraternity. The Delta is a good sample of what western hustle can do. The present editor took

hold of the publication several years ago, and through his energy it has been brought up to a seventy page bimonthly. We believe *The Delta* and its management has been largely instrumental in the growth of Sigma Nu in the past eight years.

The October number deals largely with the Stanford and California University chapters, which we are assured are building up a good history for  $\Sigma$  N on the coast. Sigma Nu has thirty-five chapters and upwards of 2,000 members.

The Caduceus is the organ of Kappa Sigma, and Kappa Sigma is a fraternity of some thirty-four chapters. It originated at the University of Virginia, and of the present roll twenty-four chapters are in the South, and ten in the North. The editor is Mr. Geo. W. Warner, a Swarthmore graduate, and the editorial office is Box 1311, Philadelphia.

The Caduceus has been an interesting and what it was never before, a regular visitor under its present management. It is laboring hard to have K \(\Sigma\) known as an "American" rather than "Southern" fraternity. The September number has as an illustration a group of good looking young men who compose its prosperous Randolph-Macon chapter.

OTHER magazines on our list are those of Sigma Chi, Delta Tau Delta. Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Upsilon and Pi Kappa Alpha, of which no copies for the current year have reached us. The Sigma Chi Quarterly is edited by Chas. Alling, Jr., at Chicago. The Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta has been spanning the heavens at Minneapolis, with K. C. Babcock as supervisor of lights. It will hereafter be issued by H. J. Eberth, at Gambier, Ohio. The Alpha Tau Omega Palm is edited by Louis C. Ehle at Chicago. The Delta Upsilon Quarterly migrated to Philadelphia last year, with W. L. Fairbanks, Box 857, as

editor, but Philadelphia hasn't seemed to be a good place, for  $\Delta$  Y. The University of Pennsylvania  $\Delta$  Y chapter last year seemed to be moribund and we received one copy of the Quarterly after its arrival there, and since then have heard no more of it than if it were dead. We trust if the Quarterly is alive and well, as we suppose it is, that we may speedily be restored to its exchange list. The Shield and Diamond is (perhaps was) published at Charleston, S. C., and has been an infrequent comer. It is devoted to the interests of Pi Kappa Alpha, a fraternity of some eight or nine chapters, the most of which are in Virginia and Tennessee colleges.

Among our visitors are likewise the publications of the women's fraternities, K A Θ, K K Γ, A Φ, Δ Γ and Π B Φthe last named we believe acknowledges the title of sorority in preference to fraternity. The Kappa Alpha Theta Fournal is edited under the auspices of the University of Vermont Chapter. Of late it has devoted much space in its contribution department to matter of a purely literary nature. The Key of K K Γ comes from 12 Somerset street, Boston, the Boston University chapter for the past several years having furnished its editors. It confines itself more closely to articles of direct fraternity bearing, and for years has conducted a most successful department, the "Parthenon" in which contributors discuss matters of pertinent interest to Kappa's. Alpha Phi Quarterly comes from the same street address in Boston as does the Key, it being likewise under the editorial of the Boston University chapter. Its pages speak a warm interest on the part of Alpha Phi's in their fraternity. The destinies of the Anchora of Delta Gamma are guided by Miss Ina Firkins, Fourth street. S. E., Minneapolis, Minn., who regaled those in attendance at the "Congress of Editors" at Chicago, with one of the best papers of the session, which happily mingled sage words with witty. The Arrow of Pi Beta Phi is edited by Miss Mary B. Thompson of Grand Rapids. Mich., and is published under charge of the Michigan chapter. It is a quarterly, as are all the publications of the women's fraternities. The Tri-Delta Sorosis for a while published a creditable magazine *The Trident*, but if yet in existence it does not reach The Scroll. This organization numbers some six or seven chapters and is scarcely five years old.

THE Chi Phi Chakett has been a somewhat infrequent and irregular visitor of late. It is a quarterly edited by Mr. Herbert Ballantine, Box 346, Newark, N. J. The November number, just at hand, like its predecessors, confines itself unobtrusively to Chi Phi interests. Other fraternities are not often mentioned save in the exchange department, which in this number is omitted. Chi Phi has twenty-two chapters, eleven in the East and eleven in the South and West.

No apology is needed for this transferring of exchange gossip to our editorial pages. The active membership in fraternities is ever-changing, new faces taking the place of old ones. Many are unfamiliar with the Greek fraternities save as they are represented in their own institution, and know little of their publications or characteristics. We desired such members to get acquainted with some of these facts, and in order the better to emphasize this, have given these running comments on our exchanges in the space usually allotted to purely editorial matter. We trust that it may be the means of stimulating a better acquaintance with the members and ways of the Greek world.

# CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

#### ALPHA PROVINCE.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY UNIVERSITY.

With the opening of the fall term fourteen members of Maine Alpha returned to college to pursue their work. They were distributed in the classes as follows: Seniors, five; Juniors, three; Sophomores, six. Since then we have added to our list four more. All from the Freshman class. The quantity is not large, but the quality is good, containing some of the most promising material in the University. We could have had more men had we so desired, but it was the unanimous opinion of Maine Alpha that a small chapter with strong men was preferable to a larger chapter with more weak men.

The entering class this year was not as large as last year, and consequently the rivalry among the chapters was very strong.  $\Delta$  K E initiated seven, Z  $\Psi$  tour,  $\Delta$   $\Upsilon$  nine, and A T  $\Omega$  five. The  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  initiation and banquet took place first, being held on the night of October 18.

Bro. Lane has been elected orator of the Junior class. Bro. Clark will probably be elected President of the senior class in the election which is to be held November 13. The rivalry is strong between the several factions in the class, and it will be a close fight between Clark and a  $\Delta$  K E.

Our chapter is well represented in the college organizations. Bro. Kinney is on the editorial staff of the *Echo*, and Bro. Pollard on the *Oracle*. Bro. Snare is playing Right End on the foot ball team, and Johnson short-stop on the base ball team. Bro. Lynch is manager of the college base ball association, and Bro. Clark is leader and manager of the Glee Club, as well as several other musical organizations.

The October SCROLL was an exceptionally fine one and the boys all unite in commending the editors.

Yours in the Bond,

Waterville, Nov. 10, 1893.

J. S. Lynch.

New Hampshire Alpha, Dartmouth College.

The fall term opened September 14th, with a Freshman class of 120, the largest in the history of the college. In spite of the large number of the new men, the fraternity rivalry seemed to be fully as

strong as in years past, and the "chinning" season was a close and protracted struggle. We came out of the fray with thirteen men, every one of whom we can commend with confidence to the fellowship of Phi Dleta Theta.

The initiation banquet took place November 3d. Bro. Grover was toastmaster, and we had an inspiring feast of reason and flow of the soul. We had with us Bro. Bartlett, Amherst, '94, who spoke, as do all returning Phis, of the enthusiasm aroused by meeting such a large number of the brothers at the World's Fair. The list of our initiates, all from '97, is as follows: Benjamin F. Adams, Hinsdale, N. H.; Arthur A. Bacon, Medford, Mass.; Edward P. Bailey, Hinsdale, N. H.; Lewis H. Blanchard, Peacham, Vt.; Arthur W. Day, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Franklin E. Heald, Brattleboro, Vt.; Arthur F. O'Neally, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; Carl T. Richards, Hinsdale, N. H.; John O. Sibley, Orange, Mass.; Arthur P. Smith, Petersboro, N. H.; Herbert M. Thyng, New Hampton, N. H.: Dana D. Wallace, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Roy J. Ward, Johnson, Vt.

Our foot ball team this fall has been the strongest that Dartmouth has had for years. It has suffered defeat only from Harvard and Yale, and won the championship in the New England Intercollegiate Association with ease, defeating Williams 20-0 and Amherst 34-0. Bro. Mason was substitute at tackle.

The final contest with Amherst today was awaited with the greatest interest, and two hundred Amherst men came with the team, among whom we were glad to meet over twenty-five Phis.

We feel that our chapter is in a very flourishing condition. In scholarship and literary work we are well at the front. In the musical life of the college we are represented by Brother Cleveland, leader of the college orchestra; and of the 207 points contested for in the fall athletic meet, members of New Hampshire Alpha won over forty. Bro. Claggett won two gold medals by breaking the Dartmouth records in the 440 yards and 220 yards dashes.

In numbers we are strong. There are thirty-six of us at present, and Bros. Meserve and Phelps, '96, will probably return later in the year. Bro. Redenbaugh, '93, is also in college, taking a post-graduate course. We are just getting into the swing of our literary work, and are looking forward to a very pleasant and profitable year.

Fraternally yours,

KENT KNOWLTON.

Hanover, Nov. 11, 1893.

# VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The present college year opens with the largest Freshman class that has ever entered the U. V. M. But the prospect for the University is not brighter than that of Phi Delta Theta.

A large gap was made in our ranks last commencement by the graduation of five brothers, all of whom had been very active in promoting the interests of our chapter. At the same time Brothers Stewart, Morse and Wiswell were elected to the Phi Beta Kappa society. Brother Stewart graduated with double honors and was the Poet for Class Day. His production on that occasion is worthy of special mention, having been often spoken of since as "a remarkable poem." Brother Kilbourn also filled the position of Historian. To Brother Wiswell was awarded the Phelps Prize for conspicuous merit in professional studies and high and noble traits of personal character." This is the second time that this prize has been awarded since its establishment in 1886. On the Forest Prize Speaking, Phi Delta Theta was represented by Brothers Cutter and Saunders. Brother Cutter captured the third prize. Brother Dalrymple also received honors in Mathematics.

This fall finds fifteen of the old Brothers of Vermont Alpha at their posts ready for duty. The "horse shedding" committee have been fully successful, having secured every man to whom a bid was extended. On Friday evening, November 3, we initiated eight new men whom we gladly introduce to the Phi world. They are, W. F. Daggett, '95, Bristol, Vt.; E. B. Allen, '97, Brimfield, Mass.; L. S. Doten, '97, Burlington, Vt.; F. R. Farrington, '97, Brandon, Vt.; L. B. Hayward, '97, Burlington, Vt.; F. K. Jackson, '97, Barre, Vt.; W. P. Kern, '97, Burlington, Vt.; F. F. Lincoln, '97, Malone, N. Y. The initiation was followed by a banquet. We were glad to welcome among us on this occasion a large number of our Alumni among them being brothers from each class that has left the University since '89.

It was with great pleasure that Vermont Alpha welcomed Brother C. G. Winslow, formerly of Massachusetts Beta, who has entered the Junior class in the U. V. M. and has affiliated with us; also Brother E. G. Blessing of New York Beta who has entered the Senior class here to complete his course in Civil Engineering.

In college honors, as usual, Phi Delta Theta is well represented. Brother F. L. Dunham is editor-in-chief of the *University Cynic* and Brother E. R. Davis has charge of the column of personals. We

are represented on the Glee Club by Brother Lincoln, '97. At a recent election of class officers by the class of '97 Brother Farrington was elected President.

There has been added during the past year to the list of fraternities here, Kappa Sigma and Delta Delta Delta (ladies) thus making a total of six fraternities and two sororities in the University.

Your reporter while in Chicago met a large number of Phis, which event added very much to the pleasure of his visit there. He also had the opportunity to be present at the opening of Northwestern University where the brothers gave him a right hearty Phi welcome.

Vermont Alpha extends greeting to her sister chapters throughout the Phi world and wishes them a year of prosperity.

Yours in the Bond,

GEORGE H. DALRYMPLE.

Burlington, Nov. 6, 1893.

### MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

Commencement of 1893 made our five '93 men alumni. As they were all strong men it makes a vacancy which is hard to fill. Bro. Carey, '94, had but just returned to college at the beginning of the year when he left to accept a position on the editorial staff of a newspaper at his home in Norwich, Conn. Also Bro. Doherty, '95, has entered Stanford University in California. This loss of seven men has been partially replaced from the Freshmen class and by the Christmas vacation it will be wholly made good.

In honors we have received our share. Bro. Gulliver, '94, having received appointment to the Phi Beta Kappa Society and Bro. Elder, '95, receiving one of the Rice prizes for excellence in the required Latin and Greek.

The Centennial celebration of the college which took place October 8, 9 and 10 very pleasantly broke the monotony of the term. It occurred just at the time when the foliage on the mountains is the most beautifully colored and this, together with the perfect weather contributed to make the celebration a pronounced success. Some of the men who participated in it were President Gilman of Johns Hopkins, President Dwight of Yale, Chancellor Canfield of the University of Nebraska. President Elliott of Harvard and Governor Russell.

The three Thompson laboratories are now all in use. The Chemical Laboratory was in use last year, but the Physical and Biological Laboratories were not until this year. They fill in a very effectual way a want which has long been felt here.

Several changes have been made in the faculty. Professor Hewitt who was abroad last year has once more resumed his duties in the department of the ancient languages, and Professor Wild has gone to Europe for two years of travel and study. The department of French has been much strengthened by the acquisition of Professor F. F. Farnsworth. Dr. Mather takes Professor Bliss Perry's place as instructor in English.

Brother Hickey, '96, is one of the half backs on the foot ball eleven. Our team is showing up in very good shape during the latter part of the season. For the past two or three weeks there has been a marked improvement in the playing.

Brother Spaulding, '94, is one of the editors of the Williams Literary Monthly. We feel that our chapter has made marked improvement in some ways during the past year, but every chapter needs to keep the fact constantly in mind that there is plenty of room for improvement.

Yours in the Bond,

J. HERBERT IRISH.

Williamstown, November 16, 1893.

### MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

Massachusetts Beta came back to Amherst this fall with twenty-four men. We lost seven brothers who were graduated last June, and one, Brother Winslow, '95, who is now in the University of Vermont. We have this year received two additions to the chapter roll by affiliation—Bro. Coles from Ohio Delta Chapter, and Bro. Crary from Pennsylvania Delta Chapter. From '97 we have initiated eight new men as follows: Fred P. Brown of Haverhill, Mass.; Henry F. Burdon of Boston, Mass.; John E. Burnette of Putnam, Conn.; Edward J. Danforth of Philadelphia, Penn.; Albert C. Griffin of Haverhill, Mass.; Roy Heermans of Corning, N. Y.; Raymond V. Ingersoll of Corning, N. Y.; Harry M. Moses of New York, N. Y. This gives us a chapter roll of thirty-four, and though there are fraternities in Amherst whose numbers are larger, yet we do not feel inferior to them on that account.

Phi Delta Theta is represented on the Glee Club this year by Bros. Burnham, '95, and Riley, '96: on the Banjo Club by Bro. Griffin, '97; on the *Literary Monthly* by Bros. Bartlett, '94, and Andrews, '95. Bro. Bartlett is a Senator from his class, Bro. Burnham is Gymnasium Captain from his class, Bro. Willets is Treasurer of his class, and Bros. Coles and Griffin are respectively President and Treasurer of the Freshman class.

You ask our impressions of the Phis we met this summer at Chicago. The members of Massachusetts Beta who went to Chicago have made the rest of us more than ever disappointed at our inability to go, by the stories they have told of the Phis they met there. The ones that went are more enthusiastic Phis than ever because of the good men they met at Chicago, and because of a broader realization of what  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  is, and what she stands for. We all realize more than ever that a Phi is a Phi, wherever you meet him. We appreciate the fact, too, that whatever Massachusetts Beta is or does affects in some degree the whole Fraternity.

We are disappointed that it was found best to postpone the Convention, and we hope that it will be held in the near future. Amherst is larger in number than ever before, and seems to be entering into new prosperity. Massachusetts Beta is also apparently in good condition, and we hope this year to place the chapter on higher ground than ever before. With that end in view we shall work.

Most cordially yours in the Bond,

CHAS. AMOS ANDREWS.

Amherst, Nov. 10, 1893.

### RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

The year '93-'94 promises to be the most prosperous so far in the history of our chapter at Brown. The following men were taken in this fall: Arthur Milton McCrillis, Providence; Howard Bowen Briggs, Providence; Paul Revere Bullard, Waltham, Mass.; Clarence Bertram Gay, Providence: Howard Frost King, Thompsonville, Conn.; Francis Augustus Rugg, Perkinsville, Vt.; Charles Ernest White, Bellows Falls, Vt.; Frank Rowland Wheeler, Mystic, Conn.; Howard Mason Van Gelder, Catskill, N. Y., and Chas. Ervin Lewis, Yarmouth, Nova Scotia,—all of the class of '97. The total membership is now thirty, seven '93 men having graduated in June-Bro. Hall returns to enter '95 and Bro. Smith to enter '96. Of the graduates, Bro. Foster is now a member of the faculty here at Brown, Bros. Dolan and Filmer are studying theology at Newton, Mass., Bro. Day is in California filling the office of Supervisor of the Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institute, and Bro. Chace has returned to post-graduate work in social and political science.

As to undergraduates, our members have not failed to get a good share of college honor and distinction. Bro. Eno is now associate editor of the *Daily Herald*. Bros. Kenerson, Swift, Horton, Gallup, Bucklyn and King are members of the Symphony. Bro. Horton is

president of the same, and Kenerson is also on the Mandolin Club. Gallup numbers one of the Strue's Quartette. Bro. Aldrich has been elected Asst. Business Manager of the Brunonian and has attained further distinction by winning the Chace scholarship of \$200 for general excellence as a student. Brother Barry is senior class historian and Eno treasurer of the Press Club.

Brown's advance has been marked this year with a large increase of students. Five years ago we numbered about 275, while at present the total number is about 675. One hundred of these are post-graduate. The woman' department has almost doubled this last year, and the various courses and departments have been extended and organized. In foot-ball we stand ready to dispute with any team for third place in New England, and for baseball and general athletics the outlook is bright.

Yours in Phi Delta Theta,

CHAS. S. NIGHTINGALE.

Providence, Nov. 13, 1893.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Cornell opened with a Freshman class larger than ever before, in spite of the financial stringency. The twenty-fifth anniversary exercises of the University were held the 7th and 8th of October. The Anniversary Orator, Dr. Chauncey M. Depew, spoke on the morning of the 7th to a large audience in Library Hall, and his address was followed with short speeches by the Hon. Stewart L. Woodford, Chancellor Upson, Professor G. C. Caldwell and the Hon. Joseph C. Hendrix. After some further exercises the alumni and faculty sat down to a dinner in the Armory, after which toasts were responded to by Hon. Chauncey M. Depew, President Seth Low of Columbia, Mr. Andrew Carnegie, President James M. Taylor of Vassar, and others.

Several of our chapter alumni were present, of whom were Bro. McAllister of Washington, D. C., who is now in the Revenue Marine Service, and Bro? Bowen of Auburn, N. Y., in the employ of the Mackintosh & Seymour Engine Co. On his way to the World's Fair, we were favored by a visit from Bro. Fenner, '93, and also by Bro. Strait, '93, en route for New York City.

Bro. Dinis, of Louisiana Alpha; Bro. Fuller, of Illinois Delta; Bro. Carver, of Iowa Alpha, and Bro. Thompson, of Ohio Zeta, are registered in the University.

Bro. Clark, '94, in spite of strong competition, was appointed Colonel of the Cornell Battalion. He was elected Class Memorial Orator,

and Bro. Goodman, '94, Toast-master of his class. Bro. Clark is also chairman of the Military Hop Committee, for the year. Bro. Abbott, who last year held the Cornell Fellowship in English Philology, is now an instructor in the University and Editor-in-chief of the Cornell Magazine.

We regret sincerely our loss by graduation of Bro. W. S. Gilbert, of Duluth, Minn. His earnest labors toward our new home here have been unceasing, and although now out of college, we still feel his influence, and to him are extended the good wishes of the entire chapter. Through graduation, the chapter sustained a great loss in Bros. Freeman, Fenner, Alexander, Roper and Gilbert, but we still have a good number.

Our new initiates are Bros. H. S. and O. P. Ward, '96; Bro. Goodman, '94, and Bro. Willard Smith, '96, who has now two brothers associated with the chapter. We were much pleased to have a visit from Bro. Newton, of University of Pennsylvania foot ball fame, who came to see his brother, now pledged to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

One of the most interesting events of this term was the reception at the chapter house, given by Professor and Mrs. Bailey, on the evening of October the twenty-first. A most enjoyable evening was spent. Among the guests were Professor and Mrs. Alfred Emerson, Professor and Mrs. Durand, and Bro. Edmiston, instructor in Latin.

Yours in the Bond.

M. A. SEWARD.

Ithaca, November 8, 1893.

# NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

Union opened this fall with a Freshman class of about eighty, and there are now about 225 men in the college. Prof. A. T. Wright went to the Case School of Applied Science this year, and Mr. Pepper fills his place. After the holidays, Bro. C. C. Brown, Professor of Civil Engineering, will go to Indianapolis, Ind., to accept the position of city engineer. His place is yet unfilled. In him the college will lose one of its best professors, and the Chapter a most valuable member.

Last spring the base-ball team won the pennant, and we expect to win the foot-ball pennant without being scored against, as we did last year. Last April we moved into new quarters. We are now in the Reeves-Veeder Block, a new building, fitted with steam heat, electric lights, and all modern improvements.

Last commencement took one member from us, Brother Gillespie, who is pursuing a course at the Albany Medical College. Brother Blessing left at the beginning of the year, and has entered the University of Vermont, where he expects to complete his course. Bro. Van Dusen, on account of illness, has not been able to be with us, but expects to be back next term. This left us but eight members to return this fall. On the night of November 10th the following four men were initiated: H. P. Willis, Hornellsville, N. Y., class of '97; E. W. Sayles, Watertown, N. Y.; L. M. Scofield, Norfolk, Neb., and G. M. Scofield, Norfolk, Neb., of '96. We are taking care to initiate only men that we know will make good, loyal Phis, not those whom we think might make good members.

The numerical strength of the several fraternities here is as follows: K A, 3;  $\Sigma \Phi$ , 6;  $\Delta \Phi$ , 11;  $\Psi \Upsilon$ , 20;  $\Delta \Upsilon$ , 22; X  $\Psi$ , 7; A  $\Delta \Phi$ , 18; B  $\Theta \Pi$ , 11;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 13. Although ours is the latest Chapter founded here, we are above the average in membership.

Five of our members attended the World's Fair. They are unanimous in their approval of the Phi Headquarters. They express themselves as being strongly impressed with the greatness of our Fraternity, and with the excellent class of men which composes it.

W. L. LAWTON.

Schenectady, Nov. 21, 1893.

### NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

When college opened, Sept. 21, fifteen Phis composed the active chapter. The entering class was not as large as the preceding one, yet New York Epsilon, after a short campaign, accepted four men from the class of '97. The new initiates are: Charles Cooney, Syracuse, N. Y.; William Gorman, Ogdensburg, N. Y.; Carl Thayer, Trenton, N. Y., and Elliott Vernon, Syracuse, N. Y. The initiation occurred Oct. 6th, and the banquet was held on the 7th at the Empire House. Twenty-five covers were laid, and the best of fellowship prevailed among the alumni and undergraduates present. It was with great pleasure that we entertained Bro. Julius M. Mayer, President of the Alpha Province, at the banquet. President Mayer gave us an enthusiastic address, teeming with good suggestions and loyalty.

Two of our members are absent this year; Bro. Louis Allen, '95, is with California Beta at Leland Stanford, and Bro. George O'Bryon, '96, is in business at Hunters, N. Y., but we expect him back for the winter term.

In athletics, foot ball is the engaging topic. The 'Varsity team is

in two leagues, and has made thus far a commendable record. The chapter is represented on the eleven by Bond, captain and quarter back; Warren, left end; Brown, left half back; Vernon, full back, and Hubbard and Steele substitutes. Bro. Brown also made an enviable record as a fast wheelman during the summer.

In class politics, we have obtained a full share for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . Bro. Coons is president of the Senior Class; Bro. Wetton is president of the Junior Class; Bro. Brown is chairman of the Executive Commttee of the Sophomore Class, and Bro. Cooney was toastmaster of the Freshmen "Literary." Beside these, Bro. Morrel is a member of the Euterpe Society, Bro. Gavitte is on both the Mandolin and Guitar Clubs, and Bros. Thayer and Vernon are members of the Philotechne Society.

Since the term began, we have received visits from Bro. Smith, N. Y. Alpha, and the following members of our chapter: Bro. Ed. Rich, '92, now at Renssalaer Polytechnic Institute, where he is manager of the Glee and Banjo Clubs; Bro. O. W. Wood, '92; Bro. George Kingsbury, '93, and Bro. Albert Larkin, ex-'94, now a member of the Senior Class at Colgate, where he is manager of the Glee Club.

Of our Senior Class of last year, Harry Harbach is pastor of the M. E. Church at Caledonia, Minn.; George Kingsbury is principal of the High School at Breesport, N. Y., and Theodore Taylor is studying law here in Syracuse.

The social season has not opened yet at Syracuse, although a few events have been given by the sororities, at which our chapter was well represented.

The relative strength and numbers of our rivals have not changed since the issue of our last chapter-letter; and the best of inter-fraternity feeling now prevails.

The majority of our members were at the World's Fair, and they all report very favorable impressions of the Phis whom they met there. Every Phi seemed very loyal and enthusiastic concerning our Fraternity and her future.

The action of the General Council in postponing the National Convention was acceptable to us, since we can, by a large convention at a later date, advance the standing of the chapter in the University far more than we could with a small convention this year.

With most hearty and sincere wishes for the success of our beloved Fraternity, I am

Yours in the Bond,

G. H. BASKERVILLE.

Syracuse, Nov. 10, 1893.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Alpha still holds her place at the head of the Greek lists at Lafayette. We opened the year with nine active, loyal Phis, and with the influence of Bro. Welles in the faculty, and the aid of Bro. Foster, '93, editor of the *Chemical Journal*, and Bro. Hagerty, ex-'94, from town, we have thus far been able to rescue from barbarism three wide-awake Freshmen, who are influential men in their class and are already taking an active interest in college matters. This list has been materially strengthened by the affiliation of Bro. Saxton, from Pennsylvania Epsilon, who enters '97 as an Electrical.

While our foot ball season opened under very unfavorable auspices, only four of the red eleven returning, the team has done some very creditable work in winning the championship of the Middle States League, comprising Stevens, Rutgers and Lafayette, and before the season is over we hope to have several more added to the column of victories. On the team we are well represented by Bro. Smith, '94, as Right Half Back, and Bros. Dean, Darte and Lucas striving for the other side.

The Glee and Mandolin Clubs have already accomplished some good work in the selection and training of the new men, and here also Pennsylvania Alpha is at the front. Bro. Smith, '94, is a member of both clubs and president of the association, while Bro. Chalfant, '95, leads the Glee Club. Bros. Smith, '97, and Saxton, '97, are also members of the Mandolin Club.

In the election of Base Ball Manager, Bro. Kirkendall, '94, was the successful candidate, he having acted in that capacity last season.

During the convention of the Synod, held in Easton during October, we spent a very enjoyable evening with Bros. Hagerty, Lafayette, '81, and Fulton, Ohio Wesleyan, '81, who were delegates to the convention. Bro. Hagerty is now in direct touch with Pennsylvania Epsilon, being located at Carlisle. Bros. Aller, '92, Bloomberg, '92, and Seem, '93, have also been around occasionally during the fall.

Last commencement week witnessed the celebration of our twentieth anniversary in one of the most enjoyable banquets we have ever held. Several of the alumni were back, and many hints were given which proved of aid in "rushing" the new men.

When you come our way, we want to see you.

Yours in the Bond, Lewis H. Allen.

Easton, Nov. 14, 1893.

# PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Beta begins the year under very favorable circumstances. As will be seen below, she is equal, with one exception, to the other fraternities, in numbers. Phi Delta Theta has now nine members. Among our sister fraternities the membership is as follows: Phi Kappa Psi, nine; Alpha Tau Omega, eleven; Phi Gamma Delta, nine; Sigma Chi, eight; and Sigma Alpha Epsilon, three.

The outlook for several more men for Phi Delta Theta is encouraging. Since our last letter to the SCROLL, Bro. Farney has been initiated. We have two men on the musical clubs of the College. Bro. Eckels is a member of the Banjo, and Bro. Ziegler of the Banjo and also of the Glee Club. Bro. Ehrhard of Hanover, is leader of the Mandolin Club. Bros. Eckels and Maynard are on the editorial staff of the *Spectrum*, and Bro. Lantz is Business Manager of the College *Mercury*.

We have reasonable assurance that our chapter house will be built in the spring. Plans have been drawn up and generous subscriptions made by several of the alumni.

We were pleased to have with us recently, Bro. Stenger of Pennsylvania Delta. Mr. Stenger is Manager of the Ovid Musin Concert Company.

Gettysburg College began the year with the largest Freshman Class in its history.

Yours in the Bond,

W. D. MAYNARD.

Gettysburg, Nov. 10, 1893.

#### PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Our college year opened with all of Pennsylvania Gamma back except our three brothers who graduated in the Class of '93. Quite a number of new students made their appearance on the opening day, and our Freshman class is the largest that has ever been in the history of the united college. There were some sixty-seven seated in chapel in the Freshman block of seats. We lost three of our number by graduation, Bros. Jno. A. Mathews, Charles C. Johnson and Geo. A. Holliday. Bro. Mathews entered the Columbia School of Mines this fall, in New York City, where he will pursue as a specialty, chemistry; Bro. Johnson is Assistant Cashier in the Citizens' Bank, of Canonsburg, Pa., and Bro. Holliday is engaged in preparing himself for the Pennsylvania Bar in Pittsburg. We miss these three men very much,

and most of all Bro. Mathews, who had been one of our most active and faithful members for the past four years. On Commencement he graduated with honors, and thus upheld the dignity of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in that department. The Class of '93 introduced the cap and gown for graduation ceremonies in Washington and Jefferson College, and it is to become the established custom here. Our honored president, Dr. Moffat, gives his hearty recommendation of it.

At the end of our last term, we gave up our rooms and bespoke rooms in a new building being built farther up town, nearer the business portion, and more convenient for the most of the boys. We fully expected to have them at the beginning of this term, but as yet we have not been able to get into them, and very likely we will not until the first or middle of November. This rather handicapped us in our "rushes" after new men, but it made our men all the more active and vigilant. The result is, that we obtained victories over the other fraternities which surprised even ourselves. We have succeeded in adding to the mystic brotherhood of Phi Delta Theta, and beg leave to introduce to the Phi world the following brothers, who are typical Phi Delta Theta men, and who will always be an honor to the Fraternity. Bros. Walker Alexander Thompson, E. E., Pittsburg, Pa., Irwin Schmertz Kerr, E. E., Pittsburg, Pa., James Louis Wilbur, Pleasantville, Pa., and Harvey Harrison Haskell, Pleasantville, Pa., all of the class of '97. Bros. Thompson and Kerr were initiated on September 18, and Haskell and Wilbur, September 22. We gave all the fraternities here such a surprise by our quick and effective work that they have hardly recovered from it yet, and our lead is so great now that they will not be able to overtake us for some time at least. Our new rooms will be the finest fraternity rooms in town, and when we get into them and furnish them as we intend to, we will fear no unfavorable comparison with any of our rivals in W. & J.

Our foot ball team is hard at work, and bids fair to put a good team on the field this year. Bro. Linn is filling his old position on the left end, and is the best and quickest player on the eleven. We feel the loss of such men as Freeman, Clark, Anderson, Mevay and Rehn, all good men who were on the team last year.

Bro. A. A. Hays was elected last term to fill the position of Original Orator at the Contest of '94, by the Franklin and Washington Literary Society. Bro. McCrea is still hard at work as Alumni Editor of the Washington-Jefferson. Bro. Linn was elected on our Pandora Board in stead of Bro. Hays, who resigned on account of the additional work of preparing his oration.

Quite a number of base ball men entered the college this fall, and Dr. Baker, our physical director, intends to have two or three batteries in practice all winter. We have always been weak in our base ball nine, but out of all this new material, Capt. Bro. Eicher hopes to put a very strong nine on the diamond next spring.

The other day we received a communication from the Ohio Valley Phis who are going to hold a banquet in Wheeling on Thanksgiving evening. They asked us to be present, and we hope to be able to have Pennsylvania Gamma represented by at least ten men. We think it was a very good idea to postpone the General Meeting this year at Syracuse. With best wishes for the success of all Phi chapters,

Yours in the Bond.

GEORGE M. RYALL.

Washington, Oct. 10, 1893.

# PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Amid all the changes which have come to Allegheny with the new year, Pennsylvania Delta still takes the lead, a position which has been handed down to us by a noble line of ancestry and sustained, we believe, by true merit.

The beginning of the term found only seven Phis back, but every man seemed to feel that he was responsible for the success of the chapter and did his best. As a result our goat has been kept quite busy helping "up the Grecian stair" the five best as we consider them, of the new students—Arthur S. Maitland, '97; James M. Gee, '97, and Francis G. Barlett, '97, initiated in full, and Ralph E. Bourquin and E. Wayne Robinson, pledged.

On Thursday, Oct. 18, Dr. William H. Crawford was formally inaugurated President of the College. Tuesday evening an Educational Meeting was held, at which Bishop Vincent, Judge White, Dr. A. C. Ellis and Bro. W. A. Elliott spoke. At one o'clock P. M., on Thursday, the procession consisting of the various college organizations, including the fraternities with their banners, headed by the Northwestern Band, marched to the First M. E. Church, where addresses were made by Dr. C. W. Smith, Dr. Mills, Dr. J. M. Buckley, Bishop Vincent, Judge Henderson and the Inaugural Address by Dr. Crawford.

The Parish Gymnasium has been secured by the College for the use of the students. We hope to have a Y. M. C. A. building and gymnasium before long, but in the meantime this will furnish a very acceptable substitute.

Class elections have been held and Phis hold the following positions: Senior—Bro. Stilson, Salutatorian, and Bro. Staples, Valedictorian. Junior—Bro. Elliott, President, and Bro. Swearer, Replier. Sophomore—Bro. Wright, Historian.

Lieut. Frank J. Koester succeeds Lieut. Cree in the Battalion. The corps is larger than it has been for some time and Company "C" has recently been organized. Bro. Staples has been appointed Major, Bro. Swearer, Capt. Co. A.; Bro. Jaynes, 2nd Lieut.; Bro. Farror, Sergt. Major, and Bro. Wright, 1st Sergeant.

We are represented on the foot ball team by Bros. Wright and Bourquin.

The number in each fraternity now, including preparatory students and pledged men, is as follows:  $\Phi \Delta \Theta 13$ ,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta 13$ ,  $\Phi K \Psi 12$ ,  $\Sigma A E 11$ ,  $\Delta T \Delta 7$ ,  $K A \Theta 14$ , and  $K K \Gamma 10$ .

Several of our alumni brothers have visited us already this term: Brothers Blystone, '83; Parsons, '88; Albertson, of Illinois A; Stubbs, '90; Stenger, '90; Darragh, '93; Sisley, '92, and Campbell, '93.

Yours in the Bond,

ARTHUR STAPLES.

Meadville, Nov. 7, 1893.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

At the opening of the year, ten Phis were on the field here for the conquest. How well they have deported themselves is shown by the character of those whom they have won for the cause of pi-heia. The significance of the victory is all the greater when it is considered that our rivals accounted that they were sure of securing the men who are ours. We are proud to name as new brothers, Geo. H. Bucher, '95; J. A. Eldon, '96; F. C. Cheston, '97; Jos. G. E. Smedley, '97; Jno. B. Southard, '97; Jas. Smitham, '97, and Walter G. Souders, '97. Besides these, we are looking after a couple of Freshmen, whom we hope to introduce into Greek life.

Our weekly meetings have been specially interesting during the term. It is our purpose to make the "Literary Exercises" of profit this year, by devoting the programs to matters of fraternity interest. The members, as appointed, will prepare short papers upon the significance of our badge, the emblems, the bond, and kindred matters. We hope thus to become more thoroughly acquainted with, and thereby more closely attached to, the fraternity.

The three brothers who left us with the class of '93, Thos. H. Evans, Geo. C. Yocum and J. Banks Kurtz, have visited us. No visitors

among the alumni could have received a more cordial welcome from the students in general than was accorded to these Phis—an argument for the standing of Phi Delta Theta.

As usual, the fraternity is prominent in all college affairs. Bro. Cleaver is president of the Athletic Association; most of the brothers are members of the literary societies, and give promise of getting honor for the fraternity; (Bro. Davis won the Freshman Declamation Prize last year); and in the Young Men's Christian Association our brothers hold the highest offices.

The fraternity will banquet together next Friday evening. Arrangements have all been completed, and we anticipate a pleasant evening.

Yours in the Bond.

WALTER G. MCNEIL.

Carlisle, Nov. 10, 1893.

### PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Pennsylvania Zeta, though unheard from in the October SCROLL, has not been asleep. She is in the fight and bound to win. We opened with twenty men and, before long, will have largely increased that number.

When the foot ball season opened, the student body at old Penn expected great things from their team. In this they have not been disappointed, but are a little put out because Dame Fortune did not smile as broadly on them as upon certain other institutions.

On the 4th of November we wallowed out to Manheim. There in the mud the Princeton tiger nipped a little piece of our Quaker hide. But oh, my! what a nasty morsel the tiger found it to chew. The brutal training and fistic abilities of the quiet Quaker have made him so tough, that the tiger hopes for a chance to have nothing more to do with him.

One week later, the Quaker journeyed to Manhatten Field to interview old Eli's bull dog. His bark was worse than his bite (but the ears of two of our men look differently). Through, defeated, old Penn came home with some of the prize-winning bull dog's blue ribbon for the band of his broad-rimmed hat. A victory was found in defeat—the long unspotted page on the debit side of Yale's ledger now bears a hated six. Hated the more because made by the one who had the audacity to say aught against Yale's dictation.

But what have we coming? Greek meets Greek—University will meet University—Harvard vs. Pennsylvania. Let the public ear be

opened—no groan will escape the dying gladiator; no howl of rage from the laurel-crowned victor.

Phidon need not think that foot ball is all that the Quakers do. We shall have more on other things anon.

Yours in the Bond,

GEORGE DOUGLASS CODMAN.

Philadelphia, Nov. 15, 1893.

### PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

The exercises of June 21st closed a successful year for Pennsylvania Eta. Our roll numbered thirteen. In honors Phis were prominent. Bro. Blickle, '93, was Chairman of Class Day Committee and Leader of the University Orchestra. Bro. Knox, as Senior Class President, officiated on Class Day, and was awarded the cup due the most popular man in his class. He was also editor-in-chief of the Burr.

Among the Juniors Bro. Gadd won distinction on the base ball field. He was also a member of the Junior Hop Committee. Bro. Douglass, '94, was elected Manager of the Burr, and Bro. Hallock, '94, was on the Banjo Club. Bro. Townsend, '95, was on the Cremation Committee and Epitome Board, and Bro. Daboll, '96, was on the Burr.

In opening upon the new year we miss the companionship of four good Phis. Bro. Blickle, Bro. Gadd and Bro. Knox who graduated with '93 and Bro. Douglass who has been called home by his father's illness. We hope, however, soon to have him with us again.

At the class election of '96, Bro. Daboll was elected historian. Bro. Gadd, '94, is half back on the 'Varsity.

Bro. Gadd, '93, has favored us with a visit since college re-opened, as did also Bro. Smith, '93.

Since our last letter to the Scroll we have changed our quarters. Through the noble work of its alumni, Pennsylvania Eta has a chapter house of its own. We hope soon to be "at home," when Phis will be always welcome.

The Freshman Class is not so large as usual, numbering only about one hundred. Though placed at a disadvantage in not being in a house, we have been successful in securing three and as a result of our conquests are pleased to introduce Arthur Harold Serrell, of Plainfield, N. J., Paul Beno Straub, Allegheny, Pa. and John Peake Reynolds, Charleston, S. C. We expect in our next letter to introduce three more.

Yours in the Bond,

F. D. HALLOCK.

South Bethlehem, Nov. 6, 1893.

# BETA PROVINCE.

## VIRGINIA ALPHA, ROANOKE COLLEGE.

As is usually the case the close of last session found Phi Delta Theta at the front with a fine representation in the graduating class. Out of a class of seventeen we graduated four. The only men in the class who received a first distinction were Phis, namely, Brothers Little and Calfee. Bro. Little received the highest grade and Calfee came second best.

We opened the session of '93 numbering five old members. With Bro. E. M. Beery as our efficient President we proceeded with characteristic energy to rescue those subjects deserving of the sword and the shield from the ignorance of barbarism. There was quite a contest between Phi Delta Theta and another fraternity over some worthy young men who had entered college for the first time. It is needless to say that the Phis proved themselves adept in the art of rushing and came off victorious. Our new initiates are as follows: B. L. Perkins, Hinton, W. Va., S. S. Gale, Roanoke, Va., S. E. Linton, Charlotte, N. C. and E. H. Jones, Freeman, W. Va. We now number nine loyal Phis with the outlook of a prosperous session before us. Two of our men are in the senior class. Phi Gamma Delta has five members, Alpha Tau Omega three and Kappa Sigma one.

About twenty-five of our students visited the Worlds' Fair, including four Phis. We spent a week, full of pleasure and profit. Our college museum received a donation of several thousand rare and costly mineral specimens as a Worlds' Fair collection.

Roanoke College expects to erect before the end of the session a fine gymasium with all the necessary equipments and has engaged a competent instructor. Quite an interest is taken in athletics and Roanoke does not intend to be behind in base ball, foot ball or lawn tennis.

Yours in the Bond,

W. F. FERGUSON.

Salem, Nov. 8, 1893.

#### VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

As my brief notes in the October Scroll announced, we opened the session of 'ninety-three-four with seven old members. At our first meeting Bros. John S. Draper, Jr., of Virginia Alpha, M. Hoke of North Carolina Beta, and Hardee Johnston of Alabama Alpha affiliated, and a few days later Bro. D. L. Groner of Virginia Zeta

appeared on the scene. Owing to the policy pursued last session, Virginia Beta is much better organized than it has been for many years, and consequently we are enabled to work together and to some purpose, as results already show.

Rushing has been unusually brisk this session, due for the most part to a lack of available material, but by the indefatigable efforts and unceasing attentions of Bros. Longind and Cockrell, Virginia Beta secured for the first general goating night of the year five splendid, congenial men, each one of whom bids fair to make his mark in the college world. We initiated Bros. Frank M. Inman, George W. Parrott, Ralph K. Jenkins and John G. Wilkins of Atlanta, Ga., and Charles Wheeler of Birmingham, Ala., on Saturday night, September 30th, 1893, in our new and handsomely furnished Hall, with which we have had to be satisfied, as despite our efforts, we were unable to secure a house this session.

During the early part of October we had a very enjoyable visit from Bro. R. S. Cockrell, a B. L. of '91. He spent a week among us, during which time he recounted many of the past doings of Virginia Beta, and gave us much valuable advice. Bros. Robert and Percy Bosher of Virginia Delta also spent a day with us. Bro. Percy Bosher played half back on the Richmond College team and made the only touch-down that Richmond scored.

On Saturday night, October 7th, we gave a banquet to our "frats." of which the following account appeared in College Topics:

# " PHI DELTA THETA BANQUET.

"Last Saturday night the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity gave a very enjoyable banquet in honor of their goats. After a brief meeting at their chapter hall the Phis adjourned to Masonic Temple, where the fun commenced. Mr. R. S. Cockrell and Messrs. Robert and Percy Bosler from Richmond College being the guests of the evening. When an elaborate menu had been discussed the following toasts were responded to, Mr. D. L. Groner presiding as toastmaster with his accustomed dignity:

- "Virginia Beta," Wm. H. Saunders.
- "Our Fraternity," M. Hoke.
- "Our Goats," Geo. Parrott.
- "Our Alumni," R. S. Cockrell.

Then followed impromptu speeches by Messrs. Percy Bosher, Pierce Burns and 'Pete' Cockrell, who also favored the Assembly with several songs. The evening was closed by a stag dance, after which the Phis silently wended their way home."

It is a little early to talk of college honors, but already Bro. Saunders has been elected vice president of the law class, as likewise of the Banjo, Mandolin and Glee Clubs, and Bro. R. M. Burns is also a member of the latter organization. Bro. R. W. Johnston is President of the 'Varsity Gun Club.

Such is the flourishing condition of our chapter, but now it becomes my painful duty to announce the death of Dr. Wm. B. Towles, our respected professor of anatomy.

He delivered his first lecture to the class of '94 in apparently good health, and the next morning college was informed he had solved the great mystery. Dr. Towles was a man of national reputation and the student body felt that his loss was well nigh irreparable. Dr. Wm. G. Christian, our former instructor in anatomy has been appointed to the chair vacated by Dr. Towles' death.

An addition to the Law Faculty has been made in the person of W. M. Lyle, B. L., who will teach common and statute law of personal property, mercantile and commercial law, and a new School of English Literature under the direction of Charles W. Kent, M. A., Ph. D.

The new Fayerweather Gymnasium was ready by the opening of college and surpasses all expectations. Besides an excellently equipped gymnasium, it contains a running track, bowling alley, base ball cage and baths of almost every description. The outlook for foot ball was never brighter. With the majority of our old eleven returned and Johnny Poe of Princeton as coach, no fear is entertained in this neighborhood but that the "championship of the South" will remain with the University of Virginia.

On Friday night, Nov. 10th, we initiated Frank Brooks Whiting, of Cumberland, Md., thus increasing our membership to seventeen.

Yours in the Bond,

WM. H. SAUNDERS.

Charlottesville, Nov. 13, 1893.

### VIRGINIA DELTA, RICHMOND COLLEGE.

Virginia Delta's prospects at the beginning of the session of 1893-94 were not so bright as we had anticipated. Of the seven members who expected to return, only four have done so as yet—Bros. R. S. Bosher, P. S. Bosher, B. P. Cardoza and W. W. Trice.

We have initiated two men since the opening of the session— Francis W. Upshur of Richmond, Va., and Stephen E. Trice of Hopkinsville, Ky. We have also another man pledged. The Richmond College Boat Crew of the Virginia Association of Amateur Oarsmen won their third consecutive race on June 23d. There were two other crews in the race, the "Virginia" and the "Appomattox." Bro. J. H. Read pulled "stroke" for Richmond College and Bro. A. H. Sands was coxswain.

We have the best foot ball team this year that we have ever had. Bro. P. S. Bosher is right half back and also vice president of the Athletic Association. We also have prospects for the best base ball team since 1890, when we won the championship of Virginia.

Bro. C. M. Waite, '93, took the degree of B. L. Bro. A. H. Sands will return in February.

We find the October SCROLL very interesting, and also very useful in "spiking" new men.

Yours fraternally,

W. W. TRICE.

Richmond, Nov. 8, 1893.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Every chapter in the University has been materially weakened this year by the failure of a large proportion of their members to return. Last session Kappa Alpha and Kappa Sigma were numerically the strongest chapters here, but this year Kappa Alpha has returned only four men and initiated two, and Kappa Sigma has returned two and initiated three. Sigma Chi, which has always been a leader, returned but two men and has initiated only one, so that their existence seems problematical. Phi Kappa Psi returned five men and has initiated four; Phi Gamma Delta has returned six, affiliated one, and initiated two; Alpha Tau Omega returned three, has affiliated one, and initiated three: Sigma Alpha Epsilon has returned four and initiated one; Pi Kappa Alpha has returned two and initiated two; Phi Theta Psi has returned five and initiated three; Sigma Nu has returned seven, affiliated one, and initiated one; Gamma Digamma Kappa (local) has returned six men, and initiated two. All but one of our chapter visited the Fair and they are unanimous in their opinion that the largest number and the best quality of Fraternity men that they met were Phis. We have returned two men, affiliated one, and initiated three, so that we are up to the average in point of numbers. year we were the smallest chapter in the University.

We have been attended this year by extreme good fortune. We have initiated three men, and the only regret we have experienced was for the intense disappointment that are thereby inflicted upon six other chapters that were working along the same lines. It gives me

great pleasure and pride to introduce as brother Phis, Celden Brook Armat of Washington, D. C., Charles Minot Taylor of Louisville, Ky., and Morton K. Yonts, South Carrollton, Ky. Last session Bro. Yonts won the Debater's Medal in his society and this year represents us on the editorial staff of the Southern Collegian. We were more than delighted to affiliate Bro. Guerrant, Kentucky Delta, who has proved himself such an earnest worker in the advancement of Phi Delta Theta's best interests. He is a strong and welcome addition. Bro. Fitzpatrick is Vice President of the Cotillion Club, and Bro. McBryde serves on the membership committee.

On the night of November 4, Bro. Pendleton entertained the chapter in a most charming and delightful manner. All but one of our fratres in urbe subscribe to the SCROLL.

Yours in the Bond,

Lexington, Nov. 8, 1893.

R. J. McBryde.

#### KENTUCKY ALPHA, CENTRE COLLEGE.

Kentucky Alpha started this year with only eight men, but all of them being enthusiastic in fraternity work, we soon increased our number to sixteen. All of our men, both old and new, are starting off well and we think that the standing of our men in college will be higher this year than it has been for several years previous.

In all we have four fraternities, viz.:  $\Sigma X II$ , K A I6,  $B \Theta \Pi II$ , and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta I6$ . The Betas are more congenial with the Phis than either of the others. But none of them are real enemies.

Our college opened with rather a small attendance, and it seemed as if we were going to fall short of our membership of last year, but in two or three weeks our fears were removed and we now have the largest membership that we have had for several years, about 170 in college proper.

To those who are interested in foot ball, we can say that we are still on "top." We think we have a record of which we have a right to feel proud. Out of seventeen games we have never been defeated.

The old octagon library of the college has been torn down and a new one is now being erected, which is much more conveniently arranged and which will contain a much larger number of volumes.

Several of our members, during their vacation, attended the World's Fair. Every one with whom I have spoken met quite a number of Phis there, and the thing that was impressed upon them most of all was the benefit of owning a pin.

Yours in the Bond,

Danville, Nov. 10, 1893.

F. D. CURRY.

### KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

The number of students of Central University, owing to the present financial stringency, does not exceed and probably is not as great as that of last year.

Among the new men there was very little fraternity material, and as a consequence all the chapters are weaker, numerically than they were last year. The numerical strength of each is as follows:  $\Delta K E, 15$ ;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , II;  $\Sigma N$ , IO, and  $\Sigma A E$ , 7.

The beginning of the session found nine of our old members returned, ready to uphold that high standing that Kentucky Delta has always had. And indeed, they have not been idle. In a few days a new hall was secured and later on, two men—R. H. Sanford, New Castle, Ky., and G. M. Roberts, Mt. Pleasant, Texas; were found worthy of the sword and shield and were duly initiated. The new hall, for the decoration of which we are indebted to some of our lady friends, is larger, better situated and more convenient in every way than the vacated one.

In the Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association four colleges are now represented, and as three of them have efficient coachers, the foot ball games, as well as other athletic exercises, will be more hotly contested than heretofore. Brother C. T. Taylor again represents us in the foot ball team as its sturdy full-back. At a recent game with Georgetown College, which resulted in an easy victory for C. U., we had the pleasure of having with us, Brothers Willis, '95; F. Kenney, '94, and Forsythe, '94.

Brother Guerrant, '92, is taking a law course at Washington and Lee University. Virginia Zeta is to be congratulated for having with them such an enthusiastic Phi.

Brother Crow, '92, is taking a course in the Theological Department, situated at Louisville, of Central University.

Those members who attended the World's Fair give enthusiastic reports of the many Phis met while there and are very much pleased with Phi Delta Theta Headquarters. All seem to realize more than ever what a great thing it is to be a Phi.

Fraternally,

S. H. CAROTHERS.

Richmond, Nov. 10, 1893.

### GAMMA PROVINCE.

### GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

The year '93-'94 opened with bright prospects for Georgia Alpha. Nine of our old members returned and in a short time we were able to win the following five men from the other fraternities: J. D. Bradwell of Atlanta; O. A. Crittenden of Shelman; S. C. Dunlap of Gainesville; K. D. Sanders of Penfield; Walker White of Forsyth; and Brother Gordon Hiles of Georgia Beta, affiliated. All our new members are in the class of '97, which insures us a good chapter for at least four years without any trouble.

Brother Hiles has just won a prize of one hundred dollars, offered by *Once a Week* for the best essay on a subject selected by that publication. This is the third prize of the kind won by Bro. Hiles, and he is the recipient of many congratulations from over the State.

There are eight fraternities represented in the University. In the order of establishment and numbers they are as follows:  $\Sigma A E$ , 21;  $X \Phi$ , 17; K A, 13;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 15;  $A T \Omega$ , 8;  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 8;  $\Sigma N$ , 11 and  $X \clubsuit$ , 6.

There are a hundred and eighty-five students here of whom just one hundred are fraternity men.

The University is taking a good stand in athletics this season. We have played only one game of foot ball yet, but have engagements for at least half a dozen more. The game played was with Technological Institute of Atlanta. Their team was too heavy for ours, and the result was a victory for the Atlanta team. The University eleven has gone to Nashville to play Vanderbilt today. It will be a close game, with chances in favor of Vanderbilt.

We were glad to receive pleasant visits from Brothers Clark of Georgia Beta and Smith of Atlanta. Our doors are always open to Phis. Come and see us when you can.

Yours in the Bond,

S. B. Yow.

Athens, Nov. 10, 1893.

### GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

Georgia Beta has been more than successful in securing good timber from among the new men. In competition with seven fraternities we have captured every man we have asked, excepting one and he was pledged before coming to college. The initiates are: E. G. Hallman, Atlanta; F. G. Scott, Forsyth; O. S. Dean, Waynesborough; P. A. Bowden, Forsyth; J. G. Christian, Atlanta; H. Y. Sales, Atlanta. The chapter roll comprises twenty-five names.

Since the opening of this term the chapter has thoroughly reorganized her Building Committee, selected some years ago in the interest of a club hall. That committee is composed mainly of resident members, who have the interest of Georgia Beta at heart. They at once proceeded to put in shape the affairs of the Building Committee and will pursue a systematic action looking to the early erection of a club hall. To worship in a building of their own is the first ambition of the three older fraternities, Kappa Alpha, Chi Phi and Phi Delta Theta. Our chapter shall not prove a laggard in this matter.

Bro. Witeman Bowdan, was Anniversarian at the 54th anniversary of Few Society. Out of twelve men chosen as "Impromptu Debaters" from the Few and Phi Gamma Societies, Phi Delta Theta men fill one-third of the places. Bro. Dykes has been selected to represent the chapter on the editorial staff of the college annual, The Zodiac.

J. T. Colson.

Oxford, Ga., Nov. 6, 1893.

### TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Tennessee Alpha opened this year under very favorable circumstances, nineteen of the old members returning. We have also been fortunate in receiving as an affiliate Brother H. J. Hopkins of Atlanta, from Georgia Beta. These with our initiates make our present number twenty-six, but this large membership in no sense impairs our congeniality or enthusiasm.

The attendance at Vanderbilt is even better than that of last year, and includes much good fraternity material. We have been fortunate enough to initiate six of the best men who have entered here. They are Ernest Scott Jones, '97, Lexington, Missouri, brother of Brothers of Paul M. and E. H. Jones; Fred Fuller, '97, Nashville; H. C. Thach, '97, Bell Buckle, Tennessee, brother of S. D. Thach, Tennessee Alpha, '90; Ford Taylor, '98, Memphis, Tennessee, brother of Pope Taylor, Tennessee Alpha, '89; Harrington Marr, '96, medical, Nashville; W. J. Keller, '96, medical, Springfield, Massachusetts. In capturing these men Tennessee Alpha feels that she has fully maintained her old-time standard and added very materially to her strength.

Our chapter is already showing considerable improvement over last

year in its stand in scholarship and the active interests of the University. Brother Keller, our last initiate, as Captain, has led our foot ball team to victory in three out of four contests. He is doing some very fine work in this line, having been trained under A. A. Stagg in Springfield, Massachusetts. On the regular team are also Brothers J. P. Hanner, right end; Battle Malone, quarter back; Baskerville and Taylor, substitutes.

Brother Childers will take part in the annual debate of the literary societies on Thanksgiving evening. Brother John H. DeWitt is editor-in-chief of our college weekly, *The Hustler*, and has also been chosen one of the representatives of his society in the oratorical contest on the 22nd of February.

The present foot ball season augurs well for Vanderbilt, our team having already defeated the Memphis Athletic Club, the University of the South, at Sewanee, and the University of Georgia. Last week it was defeated at Montgomery by the eleven from the Alabama Polytechnic Institute. The great game of the season will be played here on Thanksgiving Day with Sewanee.

On November the eighth, Brother J. R. Mood, B. D., '92, was married to Miss Ruth John at her home in Nashville. They will make their home in Mexico, where they will be engaged in missionary work. With best wishes, I am

Yours in the Bond.

HENRY J. LIVINGSTON, JR.

Nashville, November 13, 1893.

#### ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

By far the greater portion of commencement honors fell to our chapter last session. Brother Hugh Morrow captured the prize for best oration from Senior Class, and Bro. Bankhead won the prize for the best oration from the literary societies. Yours truly won the medal for best drilled soldier in the Corps.

We lost by graduation, Brothers Bankhead, Johnson, Moseley, W. L., Rocket, Walker, W. M., and Searcy, and Brothers Holloway, Proctor and Smith of the Law Class. Brothers Morrow and Saffold, '93, returned to the University, the former as Private Secretary to the President, and the latter as Post Adjutant. Bro. J. C. Forney, who last year took the Post Graduate Course, is back again, taking the Law Course.

We have thus far taken in as brothers—Edward D. Smith, Charles H. Coleman, Curran S. Goodwin, William B. Moore, Sidney R.

Prince and Robert T. Corner, all of '96, and Henry McAuley Bankhead, William H. Tipton, George H. Searcy and Albert S. Williams of '97.

This year promises to be as fruitful to our chapter as the last was. We have returned to college with the determination to win the greater part of the honors offered. We are ably represented on the foot ball team by Bros. Morrow, Burgett and Walker, M. P., and with Goodwin as one of the substitutes.

We regret very much that Bros. Cochrane, Chambliss and Hill, of '95, did not return.

Yours in the Bond,

EDWARD W. FAITH.

University of Ala., Nov. 3, 1893.

# ALABAMA GAMMA, SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY.

Last year was a very prosperous year for Alabama Gamma. At the beginning of the session our way looked dark, but soon we were nicely situated in a room of the College given us by the Faculty, and commencement found us joyously in the front.

We lost four of our number by graduation: Bros. Meek, Bowen, de Graffenried and Tyler. Bro. Meek is now President of the High School at Rutledge, Alabama. Bro. de Graffenried is Principal of the High School at Vincent, Alabama. Bro. Bowen, minister in South Alabama Conference.

Commencement day was a red letter day for us. Bro. Bowen received the gold medal for best essay of Senior Class. Your reporter received the gold medal for best select oration. Bros. Meek, Bowen, de Graffenried, Tyler and Massey were speakers of commencement.

This year our prospects are flattering. We have eleven old members back, who are zealously at work to again crown the Phi altars with lasting honors. We have initiated seven new men who promise great good to the mystic brotherhood. I take great pleasure in introducing to the Phi world, Bros. Percey Rivers Knickerbocker of New Orleans, La.; Arthur Newton Meaders of Albertville, Ala.; William Henry Donaldson of Pratt City, Ala.; John Morris Cousins of Gainsville, Ala.; Stephen Meigs of Harrisburg, Ala.; Foster Kendrick Camp of Greenville, Ala.; Holstead Roberts of Jacksonville, Fla.

In our recent elections, Bro. Lewis was elected speaker in annual debate. Bro. Davis was elected as a member of the Monthly Staff, from the Belles-Lettres Societies. Bros. Smith and Shuptrine were

elected as anniversarians of the Clariosophic Society. The Faculty elected Bro. Massey tutor in Ancient Languages, also assistant in Chemistry. On Class day we will be well represented.

Yours in the Bond,

T. F. SESSIONS.

Greensboro, Nov. 10, 1893.

#### DELTA PROVINCE.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

The University of Mississippi has begun what now betokens a very prosperous session with about the usual number of students. Mississippi Alpha is not lacking in this appearance of prosperity, and, though we have only two new men, they are those of whom we may justly be proud. With the old members who have returned, Phi Delta Theta has a goodly representation.

The two initiates are: Thomas Benton Dudley, '95, Friars Point, Miss., and Elnathan Tartt, '97, Lauderdale, Miss. Bro. Dudley has already taken a high stand here, which was shown by his election to the office of Business Manager of the *University Magazine*. Bro. Tartt, who is a Freshman, already gives evidence of the stand that he will take, and the chapter feels that in him it has won a prize.

At commencement two of our men secured one each of the four Freshman medals, and another won second place as Anniversarian of Hermean Society. The fortunate winners are Bros. W. W. Lockard, A. D. Bordeaux and J. G. Leavell. We now have eleven members in school.

For the first time in the history of the University athletics has begun to take an important stand, and we are on a fair road to have very soon a crack foot ball team if the old saying, "Practice makes perfect" holds true. Games have been arranged with Memphis, Tulane and University of Alabama, to be played at early dates. In these games Phi Delta Theta will be represented by Bro. R. H. Bordeaux, who is considered one of the best players on the eleven, and we feel no fear in saying that he will play with honor to himself and his chapter.

Fraternally yours,

F. M. SOUTHWORTH.

Oxford, Nov. 7, 1893.

# LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

There is little to report of the two past months. Affairs at Tulane University have been more than usually quiet, and there has been hardly any friction between the fraternities, each seeming satisfied with its own acquisitions and in good fellowship with the other chapters. The number of new students is large, and the roll shows a good attendance for the session. Work on our new buildings has already been begun.

The Chair of Mathematics, left vacant by the death of Major James L. Cross, is now filled by Prof. Wm. B. Smith, late of the University of Missouri. Our new Professor seems to be gaining his way rapidly with the boys, while his ability and scholarship is known and recognized throughout the country.

As to college politics, the chapter is as strong this year as could be desired. Bro. Lewis holds the important position of President of the Tulane Athletic Association and is, besides, senior editor of the Tulane Collegian. Bro. Coniff is business manager of our magazine, and the junior editor is also a Phi. Several of our boys play on the foot ball team, and others are preparing to distinguish themselves on the "diamond" before long.

It is with pleasure that we announce the initiation of Alexander Allison, Jr., a member of the Sophomore Class. He was "put through" on October 24th.

The first fall meet of the Southern Amateur Athletic Union took place here on October 28th. It was participated in by some dozen clubs and was a grand thing in its way, giving an impetus to local athletics that has seldom, if ever, been felt here before. New Orleans made a first rate showing, and her athletes are justly proud of some of the splendid records that were made.

S. S. PRENTISS, JR.

New Orleans, Nov. 6, 1893.

#### Texas Gamma, Southwestern University.

Last commencement, the Phis, as usual, took many of the medals. Bro. Geo. W. Graves took the scholarship medal and first honor. Brothers Clement and Cox were awarded the two medals given by the literary societies for the best essays written for our college magazine. Bro. Brown was poet of his class. Brothers Cox and Wilcox won the Commencement Debate by the unanimous vote of the judges.

Gamma Chapter lost four good men by graduation last year.

Brothers Graves, Brown, Oatman and Clement. These men all won distinction for themselves and their fraternity during their college course.

Southwestern University opened this year with an increased matriculation of about fifty over last year. Bro. Armstrong who held a position in the Preparatory Department last year, is studying for the Ph. D. degree at Johns Hopkins University. His place has been filled by another Phi, Walter B. Griffin of Emory College. Georgia Beta may well be proud of him. The Chair of Latin and Greek made vacant by the death of Professor Sanders, is occupied by Bro. Vaden, an alumnus of Virginia Gamma. He is an able and experienced instructor and is an honor to his chapter and the fraternity at large.

Our chapter at the beginning of the session, numbered only five. Since then, we have initiated seven excellent men: D. W. Wilcox, Geo. Herren, A. L. Robbins, J. Clement, John Foster, Read Markham and P. P. Henderson. We are looking for Brother Strather back by the first of December.

Phi Delta Theta is represented on the Monthly staff, this year, by Jackson B. Cox, Chief Editor, C. A. Wilcox, Assistant Business Manager and D. W. Wilcox, Local Editor. Bro. Robbins has been elected to deliver an oration, on the occasion of the public debate of his society. C. A. Wilcox is President of one of the literary societies and O. B. Staples President of the Junior Class.

Texas Gamma is taking active steps towards building a chapter house. We have secured a lot and think we can soon raise the necessary amount of money. At present we meet in the Knights of Pythias' hall, which is elegantly furnished.

Our "Phi sisters" are as loyal as ever. We do not neglect the social features of the fraternity and frequent banquets add greatly to the pleasure of our college life.

Brother William Boyd, our First Honor man of 1891, took the first honors of the Law Department of the State University last commencement. Brother Robert A. John, '84, now County Attorney, has been elected to address the Alamo Society on their anniversary.

Brother J. R. Mood, '89, son of the founder of Southwestern University, was married on Nov. 8th, to Miss Ruth John, of Nashville, Tenn. Brother Mood has been elected to the Chair of Theology in the college at San Louis Potosi, Mexico.

Yours in the Bond,

C. A. WILCOX.

Georgetown, Nov. 10, 1893.

#### **EPSILON PROVINCE.**

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Beta has begun the year with her usual spirit and success. The term opened with all the fraternities in a somewhat depleted condition, but none had a longer chapter roll than Phi Delta Theta. Since then we have increased our numbers by two. The list as it now stands is as follows:  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 12;  $\Sigma A E$ , 11;  $\Phi K \Psi$ , 10;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 10;  $B \Theta \Pi$ , 10;  $A T \Omega$ , 8;  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 7;  $X \Phi$ , 7;  $\Sigma X$ , 4. The total membership is 79.

Our initiates of this term are C. H. Williams, '94, of Caldwell, O., and L. M. Colburn, '96, of Ashtabula, Ohio. Brother Williams is a strong student, and holds the position of literary editor of the College Transcript. Bro. Colburn comes to us from Yale, and was fortunate enough to decide on Phi Delta Theta out of three competing fraternities. Bro. Colburn is a member of the college foot ball team. We find both of these men to possess the true Phi spirit, and they are brothers of whom we are proud. We have also pledged two preparatory men—Adelbert Jones of Toledo, O., and F. M. Kline of Clyde, O. These prospective brothers possess all the qualities of worthy Phis and are an honor to the Fraternity.

All of the chapter but three visited the World's Fair during the summer. They report a fine time and cherish aspecially the recollection of the Phis met there and their pleasant association with them.

The chapter congratulates itself on having with it Bro. O. W. Pierce, who left the college two years ago to study music in Germany, and now takes a position as teacher in the Conservatory.

Two social events of this term have contributed much to the pleasure of the chapter. On the third Saturday evening of the term we gave our customary banquet to our pledged men. The occasion was made glad by toasts, good feeling and the delicious spread prepared by the caterer. Last Saturday evening the Fraternity was invited to partake in a surprise party given to Bro. Miller by his sister. Fifteen Phi's and pledged men were there with the same number of young ladies from the town and Seminary. The party was followed by the initiation of Bro. Colburn.

Two of our brothers, Webb and Williams, will appear on the local Oratorical Contest this winter. We are looking forward to an exciting contest and hope to see a Phi on top. The Fraternity is in good condition and we are having a prosperous year.

### OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The year has opened very auspiciously for Ohio University, the attendance, notwithstanding the hard times, excelling in point of numbers that of any previous year in the history of the institution. A few changes which conduce much to the advancement of the college, were made by the trustees at their meeting in June. A business course and a course in music are now available to O. U. students. Prof. Walker Bowman, Ph. D. of New York City, was elected Professor of Chemistry to fill the place recently vacated by Bro. Stine, who is now Director of Electricity in Armour Institute, Chicago.

At Commencement last June, Ohio Gamma lost three loyal Phis by graduation—Bros. Beery, Tinker and McPherson, whom she can truly say were the leaders in a class of twenty members. Bros. Beery and Tinker have chosen law as their future profession. Bro. McPherson is at present reading medicine. We had a very large attendance of Phis at the Pan-Hellenic Banquet, which was given at the Hotel Berry. Delta Tau Delta and Sigma Alpha Epsilon were the chapters present with us. Beta Theta Pi did not join the other chapters, but had a banquet of their own.

At the Society Contest each chapter received its share of the honors. Bro. I. M. Foster took first place as orator. Our chapter entered the field this year with an even dozen of enthusiastic Phis, having the largest membership of any chapter in college. Since then we have added another member, Arthur E. Johnson, class of '97, to the Bond. Bro. Shepard has been compelled to leave college on account of illness, but we learn that he will be with us again soon.

Both of the other chapters have initiated more men this year than Ohio Gamma, for the reason that their numbers were such that they were virtually compelled to increase their membership. Beta Theta Pi's prospects at the beginning of the year were rather gloomy, but they have initiated three men, making their number six. Delta Tau Delta has a chapter of six men and have succeeded in putting their colors on four more. The sorority of Pi Beta Phi is larger this year than usual, three members having been recently added to their number.

Such harmony and loyalty has not existed among the members of the chapter for several years as exists at the present time. The brothers all make it a point to be present at every meeting, and congeniality and enthusiasm are with us. We read the October SCROLL with intense interest. It was a splendid number. Hoping that it may ever continue so attractive,

I am, fraternally,

J. W. BOTHWELL.

Athens, Nov. 7, 1893.

OHIO DELTA, WOOSTER UNIVERSITY.

The rushing season is now over and the fraternities have settled down to the daily routine of college work.

Since my last letter Ohio Delta has added another to its list of loyal Phis—Brother Ralph H. McKee, whom I have the pleasure of introducing to the Fraternity world. We have also pledged John B. Ballou, '97, and Ray Allen Kieffer, '98.

The fraternities represented in the University and the number of each is as follows: Phi Gamma Delta, 18; Beta Theta Pi, 11; Phi Delta Theta, 10; Alpha Tau Omega, 8; Delta Tau Delta, 7.

After considerable discussion and much delay, the class of '95 has finally decided to publish the *Index*. Phi Gamma Delta will furnish the editor-in-chief, Beta Theta Pi and Phi Delta Theta, the business directors.

Bro. Wallace, ex-'92, now in the Civil Engineering Department at the State University, came home last Tuesday to vote, and spent a few hours with the members of Ohio Delta. With best wishes to all, I remain

Yours in the Bond.

E. B. BALTZLY.

Wooster, O., Nov. 10, 1893.

OHIO EPSILON, BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

Vacation has come and gone; once again college duties have called together the loyal hearts of Ohio Epsilon.

Thus far we have but seven active members. Two of our number, Bro. W. B. Coe, '95, and J. S. Underwood, '96, besides those whom we lost by graduation, have not returned. Bro. Underwood however expects to be with us next year.

Although we have not been able to obtain as many men as we would desire this term owing to the lack of desirable material, yet we have initiated the three best men of the Freshman class, F. A. Fish, A. S. Foster and H. J. Thrasher. Two of these were rushed very hard by our rival,  $\Delta T \Delta$ .

The hall which heretofore was occupied by us, having been desired for office purposes by the Schumacher Milling Co., we have been compelled to give up and seek quarters elsewhere. Three rooms in the Seiberling Block on Mill Street, have been rented which are somewhat nearer the College than our former place of meeting. Fitted up with our new furniture, the rooms present a very attractive appearance and we shall be pleased to entertain any Phis who may happen to visit the city of Akron.

In athletics this year our foot ball team is making a good record, having been beaten but once thus far. Bro. Webster as captain and end, and Bro. Clark as quarter-back, are doing fine work.

Nearly all of the boys visited the Fair this summer and were very much pleased with the large number of Phis whom they met there. To those and the rest of the Phi world we extend best wishes for success during the coming year.

Yours in the Bond,

L. R. CANFIELD.

Akron, Nov. 9, 1893.

### OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Ohio State University opened this year with fully as many students in attendance as she had last year, notwithstanding the decreased attendance in some other universities.

Orton Hall, a fine stone building, has recently been completed and now the library and geological museum are to be found in this building.

Bro. Wallace, of Ohio Delta, is with us this year, taking a special course in bridge work.

On November 11th, we had a very pleasant visit from Bros. Snyder, Hollenbeck, Webster, Clark, Fish and Underwood, of Ohio Epsilon; also Bro. Finley, a professor of Buchtel College, and Bro. Cole, formerly of Ohio Epsilon. These Bros. came to witness a foot ball game between Buchtel and O. S. U., and Ohio Zeta was very glad to have them present at our meeting that evening to participate in the initiation of three men who are worthy to wear the sword and shield.

We take great pleasure in introducing to our brother Phis, F. F. Morton and A. D. Ingram, of Columbus, and V. N. Smith, of Charden, Ohio, all of '97, who are now loyal Phis.

Saturday evening, November 18th, a chapter of Theta Nu Epsilon was established here. Quite a number who were members of Theta Nu Epsilon elsewhere are in school here. Spencer, Alpha Tau Omega, and Frazier, Sigma Chi, both from Wooster, are in the law school.

Davidson, Phi Gamma Delta, Wooster; Carson, Kappa Alpha; Wallace, Phi Delta Theta, and your reporter, Wooster, are in college. Burner, Phi Delta Theta, is in the city, Harry R. Fowler is Phi Delta Theta charter member of Theta Nu Epsilon.

D. A. PENCE.

Columbus, Nov. 20, 1893.

### Indiana Alpha, Indiana University.

With the passage of the "Repeal Bill" we experience a sufficient return of confidence to hazard at least one more letter. Notwithstanding the recent "financial depression" and a change of administration, Indiana University continues to prosper and maintain its position in the fore front of Western colleges. Joseph Swain, our new President, is a man of rare executive ability and is fast gaining the respect and admiration of all students. He wishes that students and teachers may come to know each other intimately, and with a view to this end he "keeps open house" every Thursday evening, when students and professors mingle in social converse.

Many changes have taken place in the faculty and in nearly all cases they seem to be for the better. The large increase of students this year well attests the deserved popularity of the "new order of things." Last Spring Phi Delta Theta found she had grown too large for the old nest and accordingly new and more commodious quarters were secured. Our present abode is one of the finest in the city and in every way comports with the dignity and standing of the chapter.

Last Spring also occurred one of the most exciting contests in the history of the University. An Editor-in-Chief had to be elected for the college paper, and the struggle lay between  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  and her rival  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$ . The result proved Phi Delta Theta the better politicians and Bro. Crow was duly installed as Editor-in-Chief of *The Indiana Student*. The change in this paper has been most marked. From a stupid stale monthly it has suddenly jumped to the rank of a live wide-awake, progressive weekly and is now one of the best college journals in the West. Under the efficient control of Bro. Crow its continued success is assured.

In point of numbers Phi Delta Theta leads with 18 active members. Thus far we have initiated but one new member, Bro. Woods, a worthy and ambitious young Phi. We are spiking others, however, and hope soon to add at least three more names. Our spiking policy has been conservative and it seems to be characteristic of the new

men this fall to "cogitate it well" before assuming fraternity obligations.

The chapter is in excellent condition and the outlook for a pleasant and prosperous year is very flattering. Bro. Holmes, '89, has returned and will take law. Bro. Hieronymus of Indiana Delta has affiliated and will prove a valuable acquisition. With best wishes for the continued prosperity of Phis everywhere, I am,

Yours in the Bond.

ISHAM TAYLOR.

Bloomington, Nov. 6, 1893.

### INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

Fraternity life has been very quiet at Wabash this year, nevertheless very hard and earnest work has been done and Phi Delta Theta has not been left behind, by any means.

We have at present twelve men, with three pledged men, who will soon be ready to pass through "the valley of humiliation." At the beginning of the term we initiated three good men, and it gives me pleasure to introduce to the "Phis" Bros. Perry, Byers and Ireland.

Bros. Garner and Olive, upon graduation, entered the faculty as assistants; Rhoads is studying medicine in Chicago on a fellowship received, and Wilson is devoting his time to journalism.

Bro. Hughes, of Indiana Epsilon, was with us at the first of the term, but had to leave on account of his health.

On Hallow'een, which is quite a society event at Wabash, we all met in costume at the hall, and a little time was spent most enjoyably together before going to call at the several places of entertainment.

Athletics are at high-tide just now. The foot ball men were never in better condition, and we are happy to say we have four representatives on the team, including the captain. More attention is being paid to physical development in the college than ever before; each man is required to take so many hours work in the gymnasium each week, and much good is expected to be the result.

Yours in the Bond,

C. CLAUD TRAVIS.

Crawfordsville, Nov. 13, 1893.

### Indiana Gamma, Butler University.

The closing weeks of '93 were especially interesting to Phis as marking a special period in which Phi superiority over rivals was clearly recognized. It was during this time that the various class

prizes and honors were given. Bro. Schmuck received first prize for the Junior Class Essay in Criticism. Bro. Hoke took first place in the Sophomore Class Essay and also second place in the Sophomore Oratorical. The editors of the *Collegian* are selected by the faculty, excellence in class work being taken into consideration as the first requisite. Of these, Bro. Schmuck was chosen for Assistant Editorin-Chief. Bros. Hoke and Baker, Business Managers and Bro. Williams, Exchange. Bro. Williams was elected Assistant Professor of Biology and Bro. Baker is Assistant in Chemistry.

Following the custom of former years, on the day after commencement, we gave a picnic to our lady friends. With all the cares of the year laid aside and a perfect day, it was an occasion long to be remembered.

The college opened this year with an increase in the college classes. All departments are in good condition and everything points to a successful session. We lost by graduation, last year, Bro. Williams and Minnick. Bro. Schmuck, '94, did not return, having accepted a position with the City Editor of the *Indianapolis News*. Bro. Brown, '96, failed to return but expects to be in school next term. Bro. Robinson, '95, is with the Bowen Merrill Co., Indianapolis.

This year we have added to our roll two worthy men, Geo. W. Wright, '96 and Robt. S. Foster, '97, both of Indianapolis. The following now answer to roll call: C. E. Baker, '94, G. W. Hoke, '95, J. B. Williams, '96, A. B. Carpenter, '96, G. W. Wright, '96, Herbert Goe, '97, Willis Blount, '97, Robert Foster, '97.

In athletics, we are well represented on the foot ball team by Wright, Williams, Baker and Goe. Bros. Hoke and Goe expect to go into training soon for the sprints and bicycle races for the Field Day next spring and will doubtless carry away some medals.

We are glad to have with us again Bro. D. C. Brown, '78, Professor of Greek, who has been in Greece a year on leave of absence. It was with much pleasure, too, that we greeted Bro. H. Th. Miller on his return from Paris University. Bro. Miller is Professor of the Romance Languages and also has charge of the higher classes in the English department.

Yours in the Bond,

CHAS. E. BAKER.

Irvington, Nov. 9, 1893.

### Indiana Delta, Franklin College.

Since we last wrote to our brothers in fraternity, there has been quite a change in our membership. Of the twenty-three Phis of last year, but eight have returned. We lost three by graduation, and the

other absent ones are either in some other institution or in business. Maurice Douglas, '96, who was out last year on account of sickness, is again with us.

We have initiated four new men: Ernest Layman, Carl White, Ivory Drybread and Fred Owens, all of '97. Although our numbers are smaller than they were last year, we have enough egotism to think that our members are of just the right kind.

Our prospects for the year are good. We have begun by doing more and better literary work than ever before, and propose to keep this interest from waning. Our plan at present is, to give two or three evenings to some one author, discussing the author and his works in their various phases.

The literary societies of the college, the College Board and the Faculty have selected representatives to form a board of managers to publish the new college paper the *Clarion*. Bro. Frank Martin, '95, has been elected Editor-in-chief; Bro. A. C. Wright, '95, is one of the board of managers. Bro. C. M. Curry, '90, who is professor of English literature in the State Normal, is contributing to the *Clarion* a series of articles on Indiana authors. For three years we have been without a college paper, so appreciate the *Clarion*.

Nearly all, if not all, of Indiana Delta's Phis attended the World's Fair, some spending the entire summer there. Those who availed themselves of the opportunities of the Phi Delta Theta headquarters are much pleased with the scheme and are glad that a way of meeting stranger brothers had been provided.

Bro. Harvey Taylor, a former student here, afterward a student at DePauw, died near here, early in the term. All who knew him will remember him as an earnest man and a true Christian. Bro. W. C. Monroe, '95, has been appointed Inspector of Customs in the World's Fair grounds. He expects to be with us later in the year. Bro. R. W. Payne, '93, is in Jefferson Medical College, while Bro. S. A. Duncan is in Rush Medical College. Bro. H. C. Dixon, '93, is Superintendent of Schools at Harris City, Ind.

Bro. E. E. Dunlap, who was here last year, is now at Champaign, Ill. He is a member of the Alpha Nu fraternity, which has asked for a charter of Phi Delta Theta. He is an excellent student and a fine young man. Illinois State University is a prosperous institution and a good place for a chapter of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

Yours in the Bond,
OTIS W. CALDWELL.

Franklin, Nov. 10, 1893.

### Indiana Epsilon, Hanover College.

Notwithstanding the financial stringency which was thought would tend to diminish the attendance largely, Hanover College commenced the year with an enrollment exceeding the previous year.

As an important factor in the college, old Epsilon entered upon the duties of the year with prospects unusually bright, although she received a severe blow in the loss of five of her best men—two by graduation and the remaining three going elsewhere. Bros. McCaslin and Shirey were graduated. The former is attending the McCormick Theological Seminary at Chicago, the latter is at Princeton studying Theology. Bro. Cubbins was affiliated into Kentucky Alpha, and Bro. Hughes into Indiana Beta, while Bro. Shields holds a responsible situation in Washington.

At our first roll call six Phis answered to their names. Though few in number, yet actuated by a common motive, the success of our chapter and the love of our Fraternity, we succeeded in initiating four men and pledging three, only loosing one "spike." This record surpasses that of any other chapter in college.

We now take pleasure in introducing to the Phi world Bros. D. M. Bridges of Carrollton, Ky., Frank Litson of Benton, Kan., R. C. Brown of New DeCatur, Ala., and G. G. Wood of Carrollton, Ky.; also Bro. J. W. Evans of Covington, Ky., who was initiated last June. Bro. Bridges was formerly a member of B  $\theta$  II, but finding out that he had cast his lot with the wrong set of fellows, he quietly corrected his mistake by joining us. During the first six weeks of our campaign we had a lively tilt with the "Sigs" upon who should have Mr. Litson as usual our opponents were worsted and Mr. Litson is a Phi. We also succeeded in taking a pledged man from the Betas.

As far as athletics are concerned here at Hanover, the prospects are not the best, though we have excellent material in both foot ball and base ball, yet we are deficient in a gymnasium and proper leaders. There was an effort made last year to start a fund for building a house, and about two hundred and fifty dollars was subscribed, but whether it will be pushed ahead or not, is difficult to say. The ball team which represented Hanover in the State last spring was defeated in every game. Two players, however, deserve special mention, making a record equalling, if not surpassing any in the State—they were Bros. Bridges and Hughes, first baseman and pitcher respectively.

In College honors we have our share, being represented last June on the Senior "Prep." exhibition by Bros. Evans and Litson, and by Bro. Shelby on the Junior exhibition. We were almost entirely robbed of officers in the Union Literary Society, there being a partial coalition between the "Sigs" and "Betas" against us; but it will not always be thus.

The Sigma Chi correspondent from Hanover to their quarterly, seems to be somewhat partial in omitting us as being combined with the Phi "Gams" against them in selecting a manager for the base ball team, and erroneous in the statement that notwithstanding a combination of Phi "Gams" and Barbs they were successful in their man. This is a mistake, for we had defeated their man by a large majority, and upon the resignation of our man we kindly bestowed it upon a "Sig."

There being a vacancy in the chair of Literature, caused by the resignation of Prof. Adair, Prof. Hunter was installed in this position, and his chair was, in turn, filled by Mr. Glenn Culbertson, of the class of '88, who is now Professor of Astronomy and Physics.

With best wishes to all, I am,

Fraternally yours, W. B. SNYDER.

Hanover, Nov. 5, 1893.

# INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

Indiana Zeta started out with fourteen old men and has six new initiates, making a total of twenty active members. On the evening of Sept. 28th, the Phi goat, which did such excellent work with the Purdue boys last spring, was brought forth and again rendered good service for Phi Delta Theta by initiating into her mystic rites John and Frank Walker, Austin Funk and Edwin Kahl, all of New Albany; Reuben Henderson, Olentangy, Ohio, and Harry Weese, Huntington, Ind. In addition we have with us this year, Bro. Matthews, of Illinois Epsilon, who enters the Junior class.

The college honors have not been distributed as yet, but at present Bro. Bly is Associate Editor-in-Chief of the *De Pauw Weekly*; Bro. Gary, athletic director from the Junior class; Bro. Foxworthy, Capt. of Company D of the battalion; Bro. Prosser, who is teaching in the New Albany City schools will take part in the Indiana University-De Pauw Debate at Indianapolis, Dec. 27th; Brothers John and Frank Walker and Weese are members of the Symphony Orchestra.

The following, as compiled for the De Pauw Weekly, gives the rel-

ative numerical strength of the fraternities at De Pauw: Beta Theta Pi, 16; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 14; Delta Tau Delta, 12; Delta Upsilon, 13; Sigma Chi, 16; Sigma Nu, 9; Phi Delta Theta, 21; Phi Gamma Delta, 17, and Phi Kappa Psi, 16.

We had the pleasure this fall of having with us Bro. Chas. O. Perry, '69, manager of the Columbian Bank, of San Francisco. Indiana Zeta regards him as her "Grandfather"; he secured our charter of 1867, and ever since has had at heart the best interests of Phi Delta Theta. His visit with us was a gala day for Indiana Zeta, as may be attested by his liberal offer of \$1,000.00 toward a chapter house fund, provided we erected free from debt a "lodge" costing no less than \$5.000.00. Committees were appointed from alumni and active members, and the work of corresponding with alumni and soliciting subscriptions began at once. We hope ere another year rolls around to be comfortably situated in a home of our own.

On the evening of Nov. 13th, we gave an informal reception. We had with us Bros. C. W. Smith, '93; Will M. Sparks, formerly '94, now Deputy County Clerk of Rush Co.; H. B. Pattey, formerly '93, now Principal of the Morristown schools, and Chas. Little, Indiana Beta. In keeping with the Pan Hellenic spirit of De Pauw, we invited one representative from each of the fraternities represented here. A pleasant time was enjoyed by all in crayon drawing, the special amusement of the evening.

Bro. O. F. Dwyar, '91, a successful lawyer of Cincinnati, Ohio, visited with us a few days in October.

On the foot ball field De Pauw has been remarkably successful. In the intercollegiate contests of Indiana we have not lost a game, thus entitling us to play the Thanksgiving game at Indianapolis with Purdue this year and next. We have strong hopes of winning the cup from Purdue this year, notwithstanding the fact that three of our best men have been laid up—two with broken collar bones and one with a broken ankle.

Yours in the Bond,

F. A. PRESTON.

Greencastle, Nov. 14, 1893.

### PURDUE BRANCH, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

Another year has opened with bright prospects for Purdue University. Her rolls show a goodly increase in the number of students, and the equipments of the various departments are far superior to those heretofore. The new Mechanical Laboratory which is now nearing completion is nothing short of a model both in the structure

in itself and in equipments for the department. The Science Department has undergone a renovation and is now almost as complete as any to be found. The various other departments are not to be found wanting.

Purdue University has also gained wide reputation in athletics. Her foot ball team has been the champion of Indiana for two successive years and its prospects for championship in this, the third year, are exceedingly favorable. Her team has also shown herself able to cope with any of the teams of the west, not having been defeated in a single contest last year.

Beginning the year with twelve loyal Phis to answer roll call, the chapter has now increased its number to fifteen, three good men having been initiated. They are, Wilmar Henry Gemmer, '94, Robert Bruce Flather, '95 and Fred Stewart Hartman, '96. Brother Nelson Olin, of Indiana Alpha, is taking a course in Pharmacy here and we gladly welcome him among us.

Although as yet ours is but a branch chapter it is holding its own nobly against its rivals. It shares largely in the various positions of honor in the college. Bro. Richey is editor-in-chief of the *Purdue Exponent*, while Bro. McMahon has a position as literary editor on the staff of same. On last year's *Debris* staff three prominent offices were held by Phis and the same is true this year. Bro. Hartman is President of the class of '96; Bro. Brown has an office in the Athletic Association and Bro. N. Olin represents us on our famous foot ball team. Besides this we have three men in the Tau Beta Pi fraternity which is an engineering secret society composed of men of the highest class standing in the junior and senior classes. With best wishes for Phis everywhere, I am.

JOHN P. NEFF.

LaFayette, Nov. 12, 1893.

### MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Michigan Alpha began the year with only twelve men. Bros. Woodward and Chapman did not return as was expected, but will probably be back for the second semester. In regard to new men we have been very fortunate, considering the scarcity of good fraternity material in the Freshman class. Thus far we have initiated three new men, Bros. Dunn, '94; Whitman '96, and Matthews, '97, and have four others pledged.

Bro. Sanders, graduated here in '90, has returned to teach Latin in the university. Bro. Hookway, '93, is in the employ of the Shef-

field Car Co. at Three Rivers, Mich. and Bro. Raymond, '93, has a position at Reed City.

We have had the pleasure of meeting several brothers from the Wisconsin and Minnesota chapters, members of the foot ball elevens from those places. Bro. Cole, from Ohio Epsilon, also favored us with a call.

Yours in the Bond,

ALLEN W. WOLCOTT.

Ann Arbor, Nov, 11, 1893.

#### MICHIGAN GAMMA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

Although at the beginning of the school year but eight of our number responded to the roll call, yet since then our number has been increased to eleven by the initiation of three men of the class of '97: Bros. J. Clark Holland, of Haddam, Kansas; Robert C. Manley, of Cattaraugus, New York, and Shiloh S. Smith, of this city. We consider these men a strong acquisition and are confident that the highest interests of Phi Delta Theta will ever be sustained by them.

We have two pledged men who are anxiously looking forward to the time when they will be freshmen. Next term we will be strengthened by the return of Bro. Lewis B. Austin, who has held an important office at the World's Fair. We all visited the "White City"—several of us spending the entire summer there—and could testify to many pleasant meetings with Phis from several different chapters.

Our old rivals, A T  $\Omega$  and  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$ , are still at work. The Alpha Taus have thirteen or fourteen members, but quite a large percent of them are *still* in the *preparatory* department. The Delta Taus have eleven men and are quite pleasantly situated in their new (rented) chapter house. Pi Beta Phi and Kappa Kappa Gamma have flourishing chapters among the young ladies of the college.

A new local fraternity which assumes the name of Phi Kappa Epsilon has recently been organized here. It is being watched by the other fraternities with a great deal of interest and amusement.

Hillsdale has been very successful in foot ball so far this fall. In the four games played we have won all, and out of one hundred and eight points made we have won one hundred and four. We have five men on the team.

Yours in the Bond,

GEO. W. GREEN.

Hillsdale, Nov. 9, 1893.

### ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

The college opened Sept. 15, with the usual large attendance, and work has been progressing as usual up to date. The foot ball team is quite strong and has recently been strengthened by the addition of M. P. Noyes, formerly with Yale, and Gould of Amherst as coach. Three games have already been played, two of which resulted in tie scores and one with Minnesota (League game) in a score of 0 to 16. Northwestern is not discouraged at this defeat, and is plucky enough to say it cannot be done over. Jewett, last year with University of Michigan, plays right half on Northwestern team this year.

University day was observed Oct. 27—the first time in two years. About fifteen hundred students participated in the exercises. Lake Forest University also came in a body and paid us a visit at the same time.

Illinois Alpha is enjoying a time of great prosperity. Eleven of last year's active members returned, Bro. Chas. D. Reimers of State University of Iowa affiliated with us, and three new men—Franklin W. McCaskey, T. Melvin Fowler and Bruce B. Powell—have been rescued from the ranks of barbarity and the clutches of rival fraternities and safely ushered into the innermost shrine of Phi Delta Theta. Besides these, we have pledged John W. Connor of the same class ('97), so that we will shortly number 16 in all. Our strongest rival this year is Delta Upsilon, and we have been victorious in every contest.

We have been visited this year by Bros. Dalrymple, Vermont Alpha; Gale, '93, Illinos Delta; Condit, Leary, Harding, Crossett, Bisbee, Madigan, Minnesota Alpha; A. B. Hitt, of Texas; Jenny, of Chicago, and some others whose names your correspondent has failed to get.

Our chapter rooms have been completely refurnished and rearranged so that we are enjoying a very convenient and beautiful home. We wish to call the attention of our alumni to this fact and solicit from them early and repeated visits.

Five members belong to the University Glee Club, three to the University Quartette, three to the second foot ball eleven one of whom is captain. Four are members of the senior class in college, and two graduate this year in the Northwestern school of oratory.

Yours in the Bond.

D. D. CANFIELD.

Evanston, Nov. 4, 1893.

#### ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Illinois Delta has opened upon what promises to be a most prosperous year. We have initiated five of the best men of '97—Bros. Chas. J. Cooper, Denver, Colo.; Bernard P. Lawrence, Galesburg, Ill.; James Lewis, Jacksonville, Ill.; Frank Buchet, Pomeroy, Wash.; Will. L. Hipsley, Table Grove, Ill.; also J. Grant Beadle, (Irreg.), of this city. We have pledged Guy Hallet Johnson, '98, St. Louis, Mo.

The annual meeting of the Illinois Intercollegiate Athletic Association was held at Knox this fall and was a grand success, reflecting great credit upon the college, Knox winning first place with 90 points, Illinois second with 49 points; Knox thus holds the cup for another year.

We received our share of the honors: as college representatives, Bro. Sanderson, Knox's famous tennis champion, winning the tennis by the score of 6—0, 6—0; Bro. Buchet was first in the running broad jump, second in the running hop-step-and-jump, second in the high kick, and third in the standing broad jump. On the foot ball team we are well represented by Bros. Fleming and Cooper. On the base ball nine by Bros. Sanderson, short stop and Capt. of the team; Buchet, first base; Beadle, third base; Potter, center field.

We also expect to receive a number of appointments on the oratorical and declamation contests. We are well represented in the Military Department, Bro. Humphreys being Capt. of Company A; Bro. Smetters of Co. B; Bros. Townsend and Tunnicliff sergeants of Companies A and C respectively. Bro. Townsend is also business manager of the Coup d'Etat, the college paper.

The University Extension Lectures this year promise to be of unusual interest. These lectures, some forty in number, are given free to all students of the college; are delivered on Friday evenings and Saturday mornings of each week. Such lecturers as Richard T. Ely, J. C. Freeman, Frederick Starr, Prof. Harper, Alice Palmer and F. H. Wines are among the number. These lectures are largely attended by the students, and at the end of each course examinations may be taken, which if satisfactory credit will be given in college work.

Eugene Field, one of Phi Delta Theta's most honored members, and a former member of this chapter, is one of the lecturers on the Adelphi Lecture Course, which is especially good this year. Mr. Field comes January 19, '94. Illinois Delta expects to pay some honor to this most worthy Phi.

We have received visits from quite a number of our alumni: Rev. E. S. Carr, lecturer in University Extension Course; Ed. George, Omaha, Neb.; W. F. Phelps, Chicago; D. F. Green, Des Moines, Iowa; H. Copp, Rock Island, Ill.; Dr. H. E. Parry; F. Du Shane; F. W. Sisson, Treas. Central Arizona R. R. Co., Flagstaff, Arizona; John S. Phillips, Treas. of the McClure Magazine Co., New York; Geo. Crandal, Los Angeles, Cal. Also, during the contest, Bro. A. Bowen, of Ill. Wesleyan, Bloomington, and Bro. McCracken, of Monmouth, who responded to a toast at the intercollegiate banquet.

There are in all five fraternities at Knox: Beta Theta Pi, numbering 17; Phi Gamma Delta, 12; Phi Delta Theta, 18; Pi Beta Phi, 15; Delta Delta Delta, 16, and it is rumored that there has been founded a chapter of Sigma Nu, but it is not yet known who the members are. Beta Theta Pi loses seven men this year, Phi Gamma Delta seven and Phi Delta Theta three, thus it leaves us especially strong next year, as we have the best representation in under classmen.

We enjoy our new hall (which is said to be the finest in appointments and furnishings of any in the city) very much, and have given a number of very pleasant parties this fall.

We were very pleasantly entertained by Bro. Fred H. Fuller, grandson of Capt. and Mrs. Fuller, at their elegant home on West North street, before his departure for Cornell.

With the best of wishes to each and every chapter,

Yours fraternally.

HUBERT RAY HOLLAND.

Galesburg, Nov. 12, 1893.

ILLINOIS EPSILON, ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Much college spirit and interest in athletics are being developed in the University of late and our foot ball team expects to meet the University of Illinois at our Athletic Park on Thanksgiving day. At the beginning of next term the new gymnasium will be thrown open for the use of the students and rapid strides in athletics will, as a consequence, be made.

The five fraternities and sororities of the Wesleyan have organized a pan Hellenic association with a Phi Delta Theta as president. A banquet will probably be held early in January.

Illinois Epsilon has secured new club rooms which are much more convenient than those formerly occupied. They are located at 417 Main street, in the heart of the city, and the chapter is busy furnishing them and putting them in shape for use. They will be exquisitely

furnished, and we expect to open them to the public with a reception about November 25.

All Phis from Bloomington who attended the World's Fair and visited our headquarters are lavish in their praise of Bro. Boddie and his kindness. They regard the general run of the men they met there as superior to any other similar organization and all came home feeling great satisfaction at being a member of our beloved Fraternity.

The sororities here represented, the Kappa Kappa Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta, are having their spiking season this month. Honors seem to be about even. Both sororities gave large parties during October at which we had a good representation. At the one given by the Kappas, at the home of Miss Grace Loudin, on October 13, the Phis had a larger representation than any other fraternity in the college.

Bro. George Barnes has been compelled to leave school on account of the severe illness of his sister, but hopes to return and graduate with his class in 1894.

The Phis will probably control the organization of the Senior Law Class, which is one of the best in the school. We have a balance of power and, doubtless, will have a Phi president.

Bro. Bowen has been compelled to leave school on account of his eyes and will, as soon as able, take an editorial position on the *Daily Leader*.

Bro. Adlai Stevenson is at home till November 24. The marriage of his son Louis will take place on the 21st, at which most of the Phis will be present.

Yours in the Bond,

Bloomington, Nov. 10, 1893.

W. B. MERRILL.

### ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

Our chapter is becoming, as we calculate, one of the model kind, in which nothing but congeniality itself prevails. Our number has been increased to fourteen, by the initiation of five new men. Bros. G. H. Aylesworth and Geo. B. Rogers from the Theological department, and Bros. Albert O. Wakefield, Homer F. Harsh and Frank P. Anderson, from the College of Liberal Arts, constitute our list of new Phis, all from the Freshman class.

Our annual Stag Banquet was up to the standard, in which we celebrated our fifteenth anniversary in Lombard. Many of our alumni were present, and considerable agitation of the Chapter House question was the result.

We are opposed by the Sigma Nu fraternity, which has a member-

ship here of thirteen. A friendly rivalry between us makes it better for both fraternities.

It was indeed a great favor that the Boddie Bros. tendered the Fraternity, in giving us a room for headquarters during the Fair. Our men were all able to visit them this summer, and thereby to meet very many of our members. We all met many Phis at the Fair and nothing but words of commendation fall from our lips. We often wonder if other fraternities succeed in getting men of as high worth as does Phi Delta Theta.

The World' Fair has been the means of bringing many of our alumni back for a short visit. Among them were C. F. Hamilton, of Augusta, Wis.; E. W. Claycomb, of Eureka, Kan., and Dr. E. L. Conger, of Pasadena, Cal. Bro. Conger was present during an initiation, and although he has not been in school for thirty years, during the times of Phi Sigma, he holds fresh in his memory fraternity days.

Yours in  $\phi \Delta \theta$ .

Galesburg, Nov. 8, 1893.

BERT P. SMITH.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

The University of Wisconsin opened this year with its usual increase of students. The law students have moved into their new building on the hill, and seem more like a part of the school than heretofore. The work on our new gymnasium is progressing rapidly, and we hope to be able to enter it in the spring.

We began this year with eighteen members and have added to this number five men by initiation. Brothers Turner, '92, and Simpson, '89, returned this fall and will graduate from the law school this year-

Athletics have received a great impetus this year, and the students are beginning to show some true enthusiasm. Bro. Culbertson is managing the best foot ball team we have ever had, due, principally, to the coaching of Bro. Davis, who is playing right tackle. Bro. Dickinson, although a Freshman, made the team this year and is playing right end.

We are well represented on the recently organized Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Clubs, and will have at least five men on the trip they are planning for the spring vacation.

We received a pleasant visit from Bro. A. A. Wright, '88, now of Tacoma, Washington, a few days ago. Wisconsin Alpha is always glad to entertain visiting Phis. With best wishes for Phi Delta Theta, Yours in the Bond,

PERCY SPENCER ELWELL.

Madison, Nov. 14, 1893.

# MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

The opening of the college term at Westminster showed a great lack of fraternity material among the new men, the financial trouble affecting the attendance considerably. However, we opened with a chapter of nine, all enthusiastic and eager to advance the chapter's interests. On the 25th of September, the goat was lead out and Ross Neel, '96, of Kansas City, was taken through the triple gates. Again, on the 30th of October, we initiated Homer Pierson Mitchell, '97, of Fulton, who has been pledged to us for more than a year. We take great pleasure in introducing them both to the Fraternity at large.

The first reception of the season was given the latter part of September in honor of Bro. Fred Hall of Missouri Gamma, who was about to return to college. The affair was strictly informal and was distinctly a "Phi" crowd, and was, of course, very much enjoyed by all.

Our rooms have been recently papered and refitted, so that now we have by far the choicest suite of rooms in town. Our "Sisters" aided us very materially in both by suggestions and also in a more substantial way, and their tasteful arrangement adds very much to the comfort and beauty of the hall.

Cards are out announcing the marriage, on November 15th, of Bro. James Stuart Morrison and Miss Lena Baker of Fulton. Bro. Morrison is the principal of a high school in north Missouri, having graduated here last year, and is a nephew of Robert Morrison, Ohio Alpha, '48. We extend our sincere congratulations and best wishes.

Prospects for a successful year are bright. Though not quite so strong numerically as last year, yet we are not discouraged on that account. Already Phis have been elected to the presidency of the athletic association and of one of the literary societies; to the managership of the base ball team; to three positions of the staff of *The Student*, and to minor honors.

While in Columbia recently, members of this chapter were very glad to note the prosperity of Alpha chapter at that place. We trust that they may have a successful year. With best wishes for the Order,

Yours in the Bond.

C. F. LAMKIN.

### MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

Washington University has started upon what promises to be a most prosperous year. The number of students has increased, especially that of the fairer sex. But few changes have taken place in the University this year. The military department, under the charge of Lieut. Jno. A. Stafford, has been changed slightly. Last year military drill was cumpulsory in the Freshman and Sophomore classes, but this year it has been made elective in the Sophomore class. In the mining department of the Polytechnic School, a change has been made owing to the resignation of Prof. W. B. Potter, who has been Professor of Mining and Metallurgy for a number of years.

In this letter we wish to introduce to the Fraternity a new member. He is Chas. H. Wilson, '96, a member of the Sophomore Polytechnic class, and "one of the finest." We have our eyes on some good men in the Freshman class and hope to be able, in the next letter, to introduce some new members.

We lost by graduation last year four members. They are Bros. W. N. Cummings, H. N. Emmons, C. A. Bohn and Arno Huning. Bros. Cummings and Bohn have been at work in the Engineering Department of the World's Fair this summer, Bro. Emmons is at work in the mines of Mexico, and Bro. Huning is at his home in New Mexico.

Bro. Hudson, who graduated last year, is attending the Law School, and is our president. We also lost Bros. Harrison and McKittrick last year, both going to Harvard. Bros. Collins and Rutledge are back at the Law School this year and will, of course, be with us.

The chapter of  $\Sigma$  A E which was established here two years ago, has revived, and has secured a room in the Botany Building, which is just a few doors from the Main Building. We have little to fear from them, however.

Athletics are a little slow in the University this year. The idea of having a 'Varsity foot ball eleven has been abandoned for the present. The students of the University proper can not furnish the material for a strong team, and the students of the Law and Medical Schools can not find time to practice with the other students, because their hours are not properly arranged. There will, however, be Freshman and Sophomore elevens. Hand ball has received an impetus at the University this year, and a movement is on foot to organize a tournament, the teams to be selected from the different classes.

The Glee Club organized for the year as soon as school opened and presents a very promising appearance. Bro. Miller will soon call a meeting of the Mandolin Club, and Bro. Wilson has already called a meeting of the Banjo Club, to get ready for their year's work. We hope to do some good work in the clubs this year and give a concert which can not be equalled by any of the college clubs.

Quite a number of our chapter visited the Phi Delta Theta headquarters at Chicago this summer. Bro. Stevenson was in Chicago, Fraternity day, and attended the reception in the New York State Building. All Phis are extended a cordial invitation to visit Missouri Gamma if they are in the neighborhood, and we will insure them a hearty reception and the best we have.

Yours in the Bond.

RALPH McCARTY.

St. Louis, Nov. 8, 1893.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Several changes have occurred in the active membership of the chapter since the last letter in The Scroll. Six of our loyal men were graduated last June. They were Bros. Mayne, Myers, C. Payne, Smith, Thornley and Watkins. Bro. Byrkit, '94, is attending the Philadelphia Dental College, and Bro. Shields, '95, is out of school for a year. We introduce to Phis everywhere Bro. Chauncey Ward Watt, '96, who donned the sword and shield last June, a victory over Beta Theta Pi who had also invited him. So Iowa Alpha began the college year with seven members, Bros. Gilmore, Hearn, Perdew, of '94; Roth, Shearer, Young, of '95, and Watt of '96.

While not large numerically, the chapter is able to hold its own in college circles, and all the members have been honored at the hands of their fellow students. In the military, literary societies, college paper and athletics, Phis are prominent. Bros. Young and Roth are on the foot ball team, that has not suffered a defeat this season, and in the annual field day last spring Bro. Roth again won the bulk of the honors.

Our only rival fraternity is Beta Theta Pi, which now has a chapter of eight members, but does not own a hall. The fraternity membership has been materially reduced here by the board of trustees three years ago. Pledging is prohibited, and no man can be initiated till he has completed the Freshman year with a grade of 85 per cent.

On the evening of Oct. 16, Iowa Alpha gave a very pleasant reception in the fraternity parlors to a host of Phi girls and some of the new men in school.

The chapter has been visited this year by Bros. J. C. Willitts, '86; Blakeney, '87; Scott, '89; Brenholts, Beers, Longnecker, F. S. Payne, '92; Mayne, C. Payne, '93, and Adam Weir, ex-'94. Bro. Arthur Montmorency, of Nebraska Alpha, also spent a pleasant day with us as he returned from the World's Fair in October.

All of the members of Iowa Alpha visited the White City and unite in sounding the praises of the brothers they met there from all over our broad land.

Ed. W. Hearn.

Mt. Pleasant, Nov. 8, 1893.

IOWA BETA, STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Iowa Beta began the college year with the following membership: active 14, inactive 2, in facultate 4, in urbe 1, total 21. Brother Woolston has not yet returned but is expected soon. Bros. Hosford and Smith have accepted positions in the faculty, the former as Demonstrator in the Dental Department, the latter as Fellow in Mathematics.

We have the pleasure of introducing to the Brother Phis two new men, Parkhurst Chamberlain, Coll. '97 and Robert Shular, Law Class, '95. The latter brother is a graduate of Parsons College, of Fairfield, Iowa. Several other men have pledged themselves and before another letter goes to press, they will undoubtedly be worthy Phis.

The following are the positions of honor held by Phis in the University: Captains Cos. A and D, Captain of Battery, Editor-in-Chief of Junior Annual, Editor-in-Chief of S. U. I. Quill, Business Manager S. U. I. Quill, Manager Foot ball team, Treasurer Athletic Association.

Several social events have added greatly to the enjoyment of our chapter. Bro. Bremner, College '91, who has entered the Law Class of '95, deserves the honor of one since he delightfully entertained the Phis and a few other friends at the residence of his sister not long since. Last Thursday evening a party was given in our halls in honor of our two new members, and Bro. Fordyce who was visiting in the city.

At the beginning of the college year we placed in our halls a large amount of new furniture, and repaired the best of our old, so that our halls are now unsurpassed in beauty by any others in the city.

Several of our members visited the World's Fair during the summer and all speak in highest esteem of all Phis they met. Our head-quarters surpassed the most visionary hopes of all, and for that treat we are especially indebted to our loyal Phis, the Boddie brothers. They all speak of pleasant evenings spent in our parlors at the Great Western Hotel. We extend our best wishes to Phis everywhere. Yours in the Bond,

GRAHAM W. LAWRENCE.

Iowa City, Nov. 8, 1893.

### MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Of our last year's chapter eight are back this fall and have secured six good men—of '94, Thomas Bradford Hartzell; of '96, Maynard Cyrus Perkins, Eric Frank Lindeman and Charles Edward Adams; of '97, Harry Frank Simmons and Walter Herbert Sherbourne. In athletics the chapter is strong, as usual. Bro. Madigan is Captain of the foot ball team, Bro. Harding plays in his old position at right guard and Bro. Bisbee at left end. Bro. Leary is not able to play this year but is coaching the team. Nor are we strong alone in athletics. Bro. Harding was one of the four  $\Phi$  B K's chosen out of the Senior class this fall.

The University Foot Ball Team has played two games at home, one against Grinnell, the other against Kansas University, winning both easily. It has just returned from its trip to Ann Arbor and Evanston where it won easy victories. We wish to extend our thanks to our sister chapters at those places for the hearty receptions given to Bros. Madigan, Harding, Bisbee and Mathews who were with the team.

During vacation our University campus has been much improved by laying walks and making new drives. Next summer a large assembly hall is to be built on the campus. It is to be built of Ohio sandstone and is to be after the style of the Pantheon, and will be one of the finest structures of the University.

All the members of the chapter who were at the Fair consider the meeting of brother Phis one of the most delightful of their experiences; and wish to express their appreciation of the Phi Delta Theta headquarters. With greeting to our sister chapters.

Yours in  $\Phi_{\ell}$ —κεια,

W. A. GODWARD.

Minneapolis, Nov. 7th, 1893.

### KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

The University of Kansas has entered upon another year of undiminished prosperity. The literary building, now in course of erection promises to be an imposing structure. The Chancellor's residence is almost completed and bids have been received for the erection of a physics building. In spite of hard times the attendance is fully equal to that of any former year.

Our chapter has been strengthened this fall by the initiation of H. A. Sentermeister and Walter T. Brooks, both of Kansas City, Mo., and by the pledging of O. E. Merryfield of Minneapolis, Kan.

Bro. V. L. Kellogg is this year studying in Leipsic, preparatory to assuming the Chair of Entomology at Stanford University. Bro. E. C. Franklin who was granted a leave of absence for one year is now at Johns Hopkins. His place in the University of Kansas as Assistant in Chemisty is being filled by Bro. E. C. Case, '93, and Mr. H. B. Dains.

Phi Delta Theta is well represented in the foot ball team, glee club and other university organizations. We have recently moved into new quarters consisting of a suite of five rooms in the Selig Building opposite the Post Office. Three of the rooms are suitably furnished to be used for meetings and for entertaining guests.

The Phi Kappa Psi fraternity has recently furnished the Bossil residence on Mt. Oread, for use in the future as a chapter house. The Phi Psis are to be congratulated upon securing such a valuable property for their purpose.

EDWARD O'BRYON.

Lawrence, Nov. 12, 1893.

# NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Notwithstanding seven men have not returned to college this fall, Nebraska Alpha is still on top. With a chapter of six, supported by an enthusiastic alumni, we went to work with a will, and as a result we are in a flourishing condition.

Since the University opened we have added three men to our list: Brothers Ralph and Corwin Haggard (brothers of D. G. Haggard '91) and William Henry Hayward. We will in the near future initiate two more men, Harry Owry, left tackle of the foot ball team and Lewis Westerman, brother of Bros. Will and Julius Westerman.

The hard times have not effected the University materially. With over a thousand students and several new men on the faculty it is in as good condition as ever. The old anti-frat movement has died out entirely, as all of the leaders have either graduated or are trying to obtain fraternity charters themselves.

In the literary field the Phis are well represented by Bro. Montmorency as editor of the *Nebraskan* and Bro. Pillsbury and W. Westermann as associate editors.

All of Nebraska Alpha visited the Worlds' Fair during the summer. Most of them called at the Phi headquarters and were well pleased with the experience. We were treated handsomely and became acquainted with a great many Phis. We never tire relating our experiences while there.

Bro. Frankforter, Ph. D., '87, returned recently from Berlin and is connected with the University. He has however, accepted the Chair of Chemistry in the University of Minnesota and will soon go to join Bro. MacMillan, '85, who holds the Chair of Botany in that institution. We regret losing Bro. Frankforter, but our best wishes go with him in his work.

Yours in the Bond,

CHAS. A. ELLIOTT.

Lincoln, Nov. 11, '93.

### CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

At our last commencement we lost by graduation Bros. Hinckley, Stuart and Willis. Bro. Hinckley is studying law at his home in San Bernardino; Bro. Stuart is Vice Principal of the Hollister High School and Bro. Willis has returned to college to take a post graduate course and is also Assistant Recorder of the faculties.

We have initiated this term Bros. Case, Blanchard, Lewis, Rowell, Reinhardt, Stuart and Bayley and these with Bro. Friend, ex-'94, who has returned to finish his course, give us an active chapter of twenty members. In addition Bros. Smith, '90, and Young, '92, are taking post graduate courses in the University. Bro. H. E. Day, Rhode Island Alpha, '93, has located in Berkeley. He is an instructor in the State Asylum for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind. Bro. Sanford, New York Epsilon, '92, paid us a visit the other day, also Bro. Olmstead of Illinois Zeta.

The University is in a flourishing condition, the "stringency" of the times having no effect upon our continued advancement. The total enrollment, including the professional colleges, is now over twelve hundred. The Hopkins-Searles mansion, the finest private residence west of New York City, has been given to the University for an Art School. Our new Mechanics building, which has cost about \$120,000.00 is nearly completed, and a building for the Agricultural Department, to cost \$30,000 will soon be started.

Everyone is now looking forward to the great annual foot ball game which takes place with Stanford University on Thanksgiving Day. Foot ball has developed with such marvelous rapidity on this coast during the last two years as to now overshadow everything else. Our "coach" this year is Heffelfinger, the great Yale guard. Stanford has secured "Pop" Bliss, one of Yale's half-backs last year, and the chances of victory are about even. Bro. Reinhart will probably be on our team.

We will soon begin to push our scheme for the building of a frater-

nity home. We have a respectable sum already subscribed, but we must now move with rapidity. Our old rival, Beta Theta Pi, has begun building a \$12,000.00 house and we cannot afford to be behind them.

California Alpha extends congratulations to the editors of the catalogue upon the near termination of their labors.

FRANK S. BOGGS.

Berkeley, Nov. 4th, 1893.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD, JR., UNIVERSITY.

The opening of this college year found nine of the former members of our chapter back again at Lauro Hall. We received four members by affiliation and have since initiated C. W. Hodgson of Pasadena, S. M. Look of Prattsburgh, N. Y. and W. C. Price, E. J. Green and F. W. Lake of Jamestown, N. Y. This makes our total membership eighteen, the largest number we have had so far in the history of the chapter. Our new members are energetic and willing and they take hold of fraternity work in a manner which promises much for the future.

Twelve of our men visited the World's Fair. They all speak in the highest terms of the men they met wearing the badge of Phi Delta Theta. These meetings were not only delightful in a social way, but also very helpful to the fraternity, for many new ideas with regard to work to be done in the chapter have come to us from our eastern brothers.

Early in October we gave a German to about thirty-five invited guests among them being representatives of nearly all the fraternities here. At present, the all-absorbing topic of conversation is foot ball. Our men have practiced faithfully, and have had good success in the preliminary games, and all await the game on Thanksgiving Day with great interest.

Yours fraternally,

CHARLES C. HILL.

Palo Alto, Nov. 11th, 1893.

# PERSONALS.

Georgia A—S. J. Tribble, '91, is practicing law in Athens.

Pennsylvania  $\Delta$ —R. W. Darragh, '93, is in business at Beaver, Pa.

Iowa A—C. J. Blakeney, '87, is now a successful lawyer in Denver.

New Hampshire A—F. P. Tuxbury, '93, is teaching in Ayer, Mass.

New York E—E. P. Turner, '92, is studying law in Syracuse, N. Y.

Indiana E-W. N. Millican, '85, is practicing law at Madison, Ind.

Missouri B—F. M. Sallee, '91, is practicing law at Pomona, Cal.

Georgia A—J. S. Horsley, '92, is in New Orleans, studying medicine.

Indiana E—J. B. McCormick, '89, is practicing law at Louisville, Ky.

Georgia A—Roy Dallis, '92, is a civil engineer at La Grange, Georgia.

Georgia A—Guy Chandler, '88, is in the railroad business in Athens, Ga.

Iowa A—Jesse W. Clark, '92, is teaching Science in the Red Oak High School..

Texas B—H. W. Gilson, '87, is Cashier First National Bank, Colsert, Texas.

Pennsylvania  $\Delta$ —Jno. K. Howe, '93, is pastor of M. E. Church, Harmony, Pa.

New Hampshire A—A. C. Salls, '93, is in Princeton Theological Seminary.

Ohio B—R. H. Callahan, '84, is pastor of the M. E. Church at Omega, Ohio.

Georgia A-Walker King, '91, is Superintendent of the schools of Crockett, Tex.

Indiana r—Reed Carr, '92, is Principal of the Noblesville, Indiana High School.

Texas A—J. E. McComb is a member of the Senate, 23rd Legislature of Texas.

Tennessee A-D. U. Fletcher, '80, was recently elected Mayor of Jacksonville, Fla.

Ohio B—L. W. Squier, '81, is pastor of the First M. E. Church at Crookston, Minn.

Missouri B—J. R. Noland, special, has accepted a position on the New York World.

New York E-T. S. Bell, '92, is Principal of the High School at Salamanca, N. Y.

Tennessee A—Collins Waller, '93, is Deputy County Court Clerk at Morganfield, Ky.

Texas B-J. V. W. Holmes, '89, is Cashier, First National Bank, Haskett, Texas.

Georgia A—E. G. Cabaniss, '93, is private secretary to Congressman Cabaniss, of Georgia.

New York E—J. H. Carfrey, '92, is Superintendent of the Salamanca, N. Y., city schools.

Georgia A-W. W. Sheppard, '89, is private secretary to Congressman Lester of Georgia.

Pennsylvania r-M. D. Hays, '92, is one of Westinghouse's chief draughtsmen in Pittsburg.

Georgia A—T. W. Reed, '88, is the popular young editor of the Athens, Georgia, Banner.

Pennsylvania  $\Delta$ —R. W. Elliott, '90, is studying at Drew Theological School, Madison, N. J.

New Hampshire A—James B. Sargent, '92, is teaching in Pritchett Institute, Glasgow, Mo.

Tennessee A—E. T. Fleming, '83, has located at Phillipsburg, Mont., and is practicing law.

Ohio B—G. W. Ozias, '83, is a member of the law firm of Hershey & Ozias of Dayton, Ohio.

Kentucky B—T. C. Hindman, '85, is engaged in the life insurance business at San Francisco, Cal.

Tennessee A—E. H. Jones, '91, is a member of the law firm of Scarritt and Jones, Kansas City, Mo.

Tennessee A- J. W. Sewell '90, is teacher of Classics in the Garrett Military Institute, Nashville, Tenn.

Ohio B—J. P. Ashley, '90, will spend this year studying in Europe as a Fellow of Boston University.

Michigan B-J. H. F. Mullett, '90, recently graduated from the Chicago College of Veterinary Science.

Illinois E-W. L. Miller, law, '93, has joined the law firm of Eaton & Higbee, Grand Forks, N. Dakota.

Indiana B—The term of J. B. Allen, '67, as United States Senator from Washington expired March 4.

Tennessee A—E. B. Crocket, '93, is studying Architecture at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

New Hampshire A—L. E. Pattridge, '92, is teaching at Hinesburg, Vt., and studying law at Burlington, Vt.

Iowa A—Freeman A. Havighorst, '89, is taking a course in the Department of History, University of Berlin.

Pennsylvania  $\Delta$ —H. A. Cotton, '92, is in the Real Estate business, No. 19, Chapin Block, Buffalo, N. Y.

Missouri B—T. N. Wilkerson, who represented Missouri Beta at Atlanta, is practicing law at Las Vegas, N. M.

Pennsylvania  $\Gamma$ —R. F. Robinson, ex-'94, entered Princeton '97 this fall, after being out of college for some time.

New Hampshire A—Charles B. Gordon, '93, is in the office of the Carter's Ink Co., Columbus Avenue, Boston.

Pennsylvania  $\Delta$ —W. W. Case, '84, is with the C. H. Holden Insurance Agency, 30 Congress Street, Boston, Mass.

Texas B—R. B. Halley, '89, is Professor of Chemistry and Physics, San Houston Normal Institute, Huntsville, Texas.

Indiana E—Herman Reynolds, '90, and Miss F. Gale Chapman were married at Morganfield, Ky., October 18, 1893.

New Hampshire A—H. F. J. Norton, '92, is studying law with Norton Bros., Buffalo, N. Y. Address, 404 Main Street

Indiana r—R. F. Dávidson, '92, is traveling salesman in the Law Book Department for Bowen, Merrill & Co., Indianapolis.

Pennsylvania B—Leander Goetz, '88, of Newberry, Pa., was married recently to Miss Rebecca Lucas, of East Carver, Mass.

Ohio E—L. F. Lybarger, '93, is an Instructor in the Neff College of Oratory, 1414 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

New York E-V. E. Kirkpatrick, '91, was Professor of Elocution and Delsarte's Method at Thousand Island Park, this summer.

Michigan B—R. S. Baker, '89, has accepted a position as manager of the Cushing Land and Lumber Agency at St. Croix Falls, Wis.

Pennsylvania E—J. Fred Heisse, '86, has been chosen editor of the *Baltimore Methodist*, and will assume control at the first of January.

Illinois E—R. A. Eaton was married to Dr. Cora Smith on November 4, at Grand Forks, N. D. They will be at home in the same city.

Pennsylvania Z—Dr. P. N. K. Schwenk, '82, has been elected surgeon of the ear and eye department of the Pennsylvania Hospital.

Pennsylvania r—S. S. Baker, '92, was elected principal of the Burgettstown Public Schools, and is therefore hard at work as a pedagogue.

New Hampshire A—W. T. Sparhawk, '93, is teacher of English Literature and Ancient Languages at Brimfield Academy, Brimfield, Mass.

Indiana E—Henry C. Johnson, '89, and Miss Mattie F. Tabb, both of Seymour, Ind., were married on Wednesday evening, March 16, 1883.

Illinois Z—Rev. O. G. Colgrove, '86, of Kent, Ohio, in addition to his pastoral and other duties, is examiner of teachers of the public schools.

Georgia B—Professor Walter B. Griffin, Class '86, has been elected to a position in the "Fitting School" of Southwestern University of Texas.

Michigan B—E. R. Lake, '85, Professor of Botany at the Washington State College, has been for some time acting president of that Institution.

Pennsylvania  $\Gamma$ —Joe Ewing, '90, after taking unto himself a wife, has assumed charge of the congregations at Aspinwall and Hoboken, near Pittsburg.

Iowa A-Wilmot Willitts, '91, was married to Miss Lemma Hoober, in August last. They have the latchstring out to all Phis at St. Francis, Kan.

Indiana E—C. A. Swope, '85, was promoted to the office of Assistant to the Assistant General Freight Agent of the L. & N. Freight Office at Louisville, Ky.

Pennsylvania I—Frank Mathiews, '90, after spending the summer in Europe, has again resumed his duties as surgeon in the Roosevelt Hospital, New York.

New York E—O. W. Wood, '92, is Principal of the High School at Groton, N. Y. Prof. Wood was married to Miss Kate Rollo, '92, a K K Γ, during the summer.

Georgia B—Professor H. S. Bradley, Jr., has been appointed pastor of St. James Street Methodist Church, Augusta, Ga., one of the leading churches of that city.

Illinois Z—Frank S. Tuthill, '90, former student of Lombard, is now a practicing physician at Concord, Mich. He pursued his medical course at Ann Arbor.

Tennessee A—J. M. Leveque, '89, of the New York *Morning Advertiser*, is writing for the literary magazines. He contributed a story to a recent number of Godey's Magazine.

Iowa A—Geo. E. Moore, '92, was married to Miss Lillie Smutz at Brunswick, Mo., Aug. Brother Moore teaches Greek and Latin in the Academy at Maryville, Missouri.

Missouri B—N. R. Rodes, '89, is a recent graduate of the St. Louis Medical College. Bro. Rodes was offered the valedictory, but on account of other duties, could not accept it. Ohio E—Carl F. Henry, '91, after a course in Tufts Theological School, is now pastor of All Souls Universalist Church, Cleveland, Ohio. His address is 1052 Central Avenue.

Michigan B—A. B. Cordley, '88, has resigned the position of Assistant Entomologist in the Department of Agriculture at Washington, and returned to his home at Pinckney, Mich.

Pennsylvania B—Chas. Walker, '90, has been admitted to the Somerset County Bar. He was the first to comply with the rule of standing a verbal examination in open court and did so very creditably.

Pennsylvania H—F. R. Coates, formerly Supervisor of W. & P. Division of B. & O. R. R., is now stationed at Stanford, Conn., as Assistant Roadmaster of N. Y. Division of N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.

Missouri A—Eugene Field, '72, of the Chicago News, is the author of three books of poems: "A Little Book of Western Verse," "With Trumpet and Drum," and "A Second Book of Western Verse."

Tennessee A—John Richardson Mood, an affiliate from Texas Gamma, was married to Miss Ruth Johns, at Nashville, Tenn., November 8, 1893. After December 1, they are at home at San Luis Potosi, Mexico.

Illinois Z—Loring Trott, '90, of Denver, Colo., presented a paper at the Denver church, Aug. 27, entitled, "Yet Lackest Thou One Thing." It is an excellent article and is printed in *The Universalist* of Sept. 9.

New York E—Penn Yan, N. Y., Nov. 2, '93. James B. Sanford, '92, formerly of this place and later of the City of Mexico, started yesterday for Boston, Mass., where he has bought the newspaper known as *The Peabody Reporter*.

Pennsylvania A—Harry Emmons, '76, has dissolved partnership with Judge Lore (recently appointed to the Bench in Wilmington, Del.) and will continue the practise of law at 9th and Market Streets, Wilmington, Del.

Pennsylvania A—John W. Nute, '82, is General Agent for the St. Louis Car Wheel Co., Bank of Commerce Building, St. Louis. A large number of Phis had the pleasure of meeting him at the White City last summer.

Ohio Z—Luray Sanford Steward, '91, was married to Miss Ida McCullough Shipley, at Columbus, Ohio, Wednesday, November 22, 1893. Brother Steward is of the firm of Spielman & Steward, Architects, Broad and High Streets, Columbus, O.

Tennessee A—At the recent annual meeting of the Tennessee Bar Association, Claude Waller, '85, of Nashville, was re-elected Secretary. J. H. Watkins, '89, of Memphis, besides reading a paper at the business session, made the hit of the occasion in response to a toast at the banquet.

California A—Harry Alexander Melvin, '89, was married Wednesday evening, June 14, at Clover Wilde, Mt. Tabor, Portland, Oregon, to Miss Sarah Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Bradford Morse. Mr. and Mrs. Melvin reside in Oakland, California, where Mr. Melvin is an attorney-at-law.

Ohio B—I. B. Miller, a member of the class of '88, after leaving college spent four years in teaching, then spent two years in the school for Christian workers at Springfield, Mass., graduated last June. He is now District Field Secretary of the New York Sunday School Association at Syracuse, N. Y.

Ohio B—W. P. Fulton, '81, is pastor of the Ninth Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia. From '81 to '84 he was Superintendent of the public schools of Thornville, Ohio; from '84 to '87, a student in Princeton Theological Seminary; from '87 to January '91, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Huntington Valley, Pa.

Tennessee A—Claude Waller, '85, who had filled an unexpired term as City Attorney, of Nashville, has recently been re-elected for two years to the same position by a unanimous vote of the City Council. During the summer he compiled a digest of the "Laws of Nashville," which has been published in an octavo of over 800 pages.

Tennessee A—The News of Savannah, Ga., speaking of the visit to that city of Solicitor General J. M. Griggs, '81, of the Pataula circuit, says: "Nearly everybody in the State knows the happy, good-natured solicitor, who calls himself "Jim Griggs of Georgia." He is one of the best story-tellers in the State, and a power on the stump."

Tennessee A—Rev. J. E. Harrison, '83, is a delegate elect to the General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, which will meet at Memphis next May. He is one of seven clerical delegates recently elected by the Tennessee Conference. He is pastor of the Methodist Church at Pulaski and associate editor of the Tennessee Methodist at Nashville.

Ohio B—Friday evening, November 10, D. D. Woodmanse, '81, and wife tendered a reception to Dr. Bashford and the Cincinnati Alumni Association of the Ohio Wesleyan University. A large number of alumni were present and a very enjoyable evening was passed. A banquet was served and the harpist, DeLuisi, furnished music. Dr. Bashford and Prof. Whitlock both made short addresses.

Pennsylvania A—EASTON, April 25.—Miss Katherine Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Davis, was married this evening to Wallace McCamant, '88, a lawyer of Portland, Ore. The groom is a son of Ex-Auditor General McCamant of Harrisburg, and graduated at Lafayette in 1888. The wedding was a home affair, Rev. T. J. Lee officiating.

Ohio Z—The following is explanatory concerning a loyal Phi of '91: "Frank William Rane, Elizabeth Mary Bailey, married Wednesday, September sixth, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, Windsor, Ontario. At home after September twentieth, Morgantown, West Virginia." Brother Rane is Instructor at the State Experiment Station at the University of West Virginia.

Ohio B—A college romance of ten years ago reached a happy termination at Detroit, Michigan, Thursday, Sept. 21, 1893, in the marriage of Miss Nannie Kelly to Dr. John Milton Guy. Both bride and groom are graduates of Ohio Wesleyan, class of '83, and theirs began as a college attachment. They are at home at Danville, Illinois, where Dr. Guy has been a successful physician for a number of years.

Indiana  $\Delta$ —General T. J. Morgan, '61, the Commissioner of Indian Affairs during the Harrison administration, will become Corresponding Secretary of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, New York City. Of his record in office *The Independent* says: "The office of

Commissioner of Indian Affairs has never had in all its history so efficient and competent an officer, and never one more faithful."

Ohio Z—At four o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, May 9, the Presbyterian Church at Delaware, Ohio, was filled with friends of Miss Ida Brown and Mr. W. O. Scheibell, Ohio Z, '88, who were then united in marriage by the bride's father, Rev. A. M. Brown. The groom is an estimable young man of New York City, and the bride a popular young lady of this place, the daughter of Rev. A. M. Brown, and a sister of Edwin Brown, Ohio  $\Delta$ , '76. The parties left amidst the best wishes of all for their home in Buena Vista, Va.

Illinois Z—Rev. Dr. C. Ellwood Nash, '75, Brooklyn, N. Y., was one of six of the clergymen of our denomination to present our cause before the Parliament of Religions recently held in Chicago. His subject was "The Divine Will Omnipotent; The Human Will Forever Free; Man Necessarily Redeemable." Dr. Nash occupied the pulpit of the "Church of Our Father," Chicago, September 17, there being present five of his class of Lombard—Dr. Nash, Rev. Carrie W. Brainard, of Ohio; C. A. Buck, of LeRoy, Ill.; Mrs. Jennie Nichols, of St. Charles, and the local pastor, Rev. L. J. Dinsmore.

Michigan B—The following clipping from the M. A. C. Eagle refers to Bro. O. J. Root, '89:

"Mr. Orland J. Root, who graduated from the Mechanical Dep't with the class of '89, was married Tuesday evening, April 25, to Miss Edith Wright, of Lansing.

"After graduating, Mr. Root accepted a position as draughtsman in the Lansing Iron and Engine Works. Two years later he was given entire charge of the designing, with a corresponding increase in salary. The excellent work he has done, prompted the company to make him superintendent of their entire plant this spring, a position of great responsibility. Mr. Root's many friends wish him much happiness and success in all his undertakings."

Ohio Z—At Covington, Ga., October 4, 1893, at 11 o'clock, A. M., at the home of the bride, Fred S. Ball '88, was married to Miss Florence Corinne Richardson, daughter of Dr. Simon Peter Richardson, the Methodist divine, famous during the past half century throughout the South for his wonderful power and pulpit eloquence by whom the ceremony was performed. Miss Richardson was an honor graduate of the Wesleyan Female Col-

lege, at Macon, Ga., and an accomplished musician and vocalist. They are at the Ohio home of Mr. Ball, at Portsmouth, where they will remain until Christmas and after New Years be at home at Montgomery, Alabama.

Kentucky A—W. McD. Shaw, '81, the former Assistant District Attorney, who is pleasantly remembered here, has become a Benedict. The Courier-Fournal says: "Mr. William McD. Shaw and bride, formerly Miss Ruth Evelyn Holloway, of Los Angeles, Cal., are on their way home. Cards have been received by their friends in this city, announcing that they will be at home, 1,557 Scott Street, Covington, Ky., after October 31. They are stopping at all points of interest between here and Los Angeles. Mr. Shaw is pleasantly remembered here as the assistant to District Attorney Jolly, resigning that place to form his latest partnership. His bride is said to be a lovely young woman."

Tennessee A—Charles W. Scarritt, '92, was married August 17 to Miss Clara Spencer of Warrensburg, Mo. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride and the couple left for an extended trip. The bride is a young lady of rare qualities, well known for her beauty, culture and goodness. The groom is a loyal Phi, having completed a literary course at Vanderbilt, during which he took great interest in the progress of his chapter. Last year he attended Drew Theological Seminary and is fitting himself for the Methodist Ministry with the view of engaging in foreign mission work when his course is completed. The couple are now "At Home" at Madison, New Jersey.

Illinois Z.—Among the pleasantest of recent social events was the wedding of Mr. E. P. McConnell, '89, of Chicago, and Miss Lilian Wiswell, which took place on the evening of Oct. 11, at the residence of the bride's mother, near Cameron. The house was profusely decorated with autumn leaves and vines. The familiar wedding march from "Lohengrin" was played by Miss Mae Bradford. Miss Daisy Wiswell acted as maid of honor, and the groom was attended by Mr. Allen F. Moore, of Chicago, a Lombard Phi. Rev. J. C. Lee performed the ceremony. A large number of guests were present to offer congratulations, and the wedding gifts were numerous and beautiful. The wedding was of especial interest to Lombard people as both the bride and groom are graduates of this

institution, while many of the guests were graduates or former students. Mr. McConnell has since graduating been engaged in the practice of law. During the coming winter Mr. and Mrs. McConnell will reside in Chatham, but will make their home in Chicago in the near future.

Ohio B-On Tuesday evening, November 28, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Harrold, on West Winter Street, was the scene of the happy marriage of Miss Bertha Harrold, one of Delaware's most accomplished young ladies, and Rev. Chas. E. Schenck, Ohio B, '90, the popular pastor of Bond Hill M. E. Church, Cincinnati. The home was tastefully decorated for the occasion and everything arranged most exquisitely. The marriage rites were performed by the Rev. C. L. Alspach, of Ada, Ohio, a life-long friend of the groom, assisted by Rev. Thomas, of St. Paul's Church, this city. After many congratulations and the wedding repast, the happy couple left for Bond Hill, Cincinnati, where they will make their home. The following Phis attended the wedding: Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Hadley, '91, Pioneer, O.; Walter Evans, ex-'95, Columbus; Mr. Harry Pond, '93, Cleveland; and Mr. Ralph Harrold, '92, South Charleston,

New York A—Mr. Samuel J. Flickinger, "76, has very recently taken charge of the Cincinnati office of the Associated Press, succeeding Major W. H. Chamberlin who has held the position since 1879.

Mr. Flickinger is one of the well known newspaper men of this State. He is very well known throughout Ohio, and also to quite an extent outside the State. For a number of years he acted as managing editor of the Ohio State Journal, and then he went to New York and took charge of the telegraph service of the American Press Association. There he served but a few months of the year contracted for owing to the failure of the Association, and, returned to Columbus was connected with the Water Works Department. He resigned his position there to go to Chicago, where he was connected with the Associated Press Agency. Now, after a three-months' service in Chicago, Mr. Flickinger comes to this city.

Pennsylvania Δ—There was a wedding in Oakland last May, to which more than ordinary interest was attached. The bride was Miss Kate H. Christy, K K Γ, daughter of B. C. Christy, the lawyer, and the groom, Mr. Thomas C. Blaisdell, '88, Φ Δ Θ, Professor of Belles Let-

tres at the Allegheny High School. It was a home wedding, and a pretty one, the handsome residence of the bride's parents, Terrace Avenue, being decorated with dwarf and tall palms, yellow daffodils and roses, and the lighted lamps glowing through yellow lampshades, and casting a softened reflection upon the ornaments, and, most ornamental of all, the sweet bride, in her white chiffon gown, trimmed with soft lace. She wore no veil, but carried a loose bunch of lilies-of-the-valley, which set off her costume daintily. The dress was cut with a plain, round, full skirt and semi-decollette. A diamond pendant, a gift from the groom, sparkled among the meshes of the lace that nestled at her throat. were no formal attendants, but the bride's sister, Miss Mary Christy, (who is a student at the Women's Medical College, Philadelphia, and who came to Pittsburg to attend her sister's nuptials) preceded the party down the stairway and into the parlor, where the ceremony was performed. The bride and her companions were met at the foot of the stairway by the ushers, Mr. George P. Christy, a brother of the bride, and Mr. Joseph Guignon,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . The officiating clergyman was the groom's father, Rev. J. N. Blaisdell, D. D., assisted by Rev. T. N. Eaton, D. D. pastor of Oakland M. E. Church. There were about 150 witnesses of the ceremony, including Mr. and Mrs. Schultz, of New York, Mrs. Schultz being a sister of the groom.

Georgia B—Last Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock the wedding bells rang out proclaiming the marriage of Mr. Warren B. Watkins, '87, of Opelika, and Miss Pearl Banks, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. N. P. Banks, of this place. The ceremony occurred at the residence of the bride's parents on Third avenue, and was performed by Rev. D. N. Banks of Opelika, an uncle to the bride. The attendants were Miss Nona Banks and Mr. Broughton Whitgeld, Miss Lula Hurt and Mr. John Allen Jones, (Alabama Beta) Miss Mary Tigner and Mr. Joe Smith, Miss Mary Lee Watkins and Mr. Y. Samford, Miss Sallie Peacock and Mr. Anthony Byers, Miss Mary Harrison and Mr. Geo. Y. Banks; and the maids of honor were Miss Lucy Stewart and Miss Daisy Wright.

The home was beautifully decorated in the flowers in which the spring has been so prodigal, and the occasion was indeed a happy one as the two hearts responded to the thrilling touch of love bowed together amid the fragrance of flowers, the good wishes of friends and the

blessings of parents.

The bride is possessed of that sweet womanliness that so charms, and at the shrine of which mankind is always ready to worship. The daughter of wealthy parents, well known and as much loved, her friends waft to her their best wishes. The groom is indeed fortunate in, as well as worthy of, securing the bride he has won to be a life-long companion.

They left immediately after the ceremony for their

home in Opelika, Ala.

-Columbus (Ga.) Enquirer Sun, April 30.

Pennsylvania Z-The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Pachel Clendenning, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Clendenning, to Dr. G. Oram Ring, '85, of the Episcopal Hospital, occurred Thursday evening, May 11, in Olivet Presbyterian Church. The church was decorated with flowers, blooming plants and greens, and the ceremony was performed by Rev. L. Y. Graham, pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. Lewis Mudge of Princeton, and Rev. C. N. Bickley. The bride was given away by her father and wore a gown of white silk, trimmed with Duchess lace and pearls, and carried a large bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley. The maid of honor was Miss Lina G. Von Massy of Germantown, Philadelphia, who wore a white silk dress and lace gracefully trimmed with trailing orange blossoms. The best man was Horace Mintzer Combes, and the ushers were Professor Lewis Seymore Mudge of Princeton, Joseph Mac-Allister, Dr. William Taylor, Dr. B. Frank Haehnlen, George Clendenning and John Clendenning.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of the bride's parents, 2013 Wallace street, from 8 to 10 P. M., after which the couple started on an extended

wedding tour.

Wisconsin A—The latest addition to our Faculty is Prof. David Ellsworth Spencer, recently appointed Assistant Professor of History. Prof. Spencer graduated at the University of Wisconsin, in 1887, with the degree of B. L., afterwardg taking one year in the Law School of the same institution.

In 1889-90 he was Instructor in History at the University of Wisconsin. In 1890-91 he entered Harvard and received the degree of A. M. After that he did still

further work at the same place. Last year he temporarily filled the Chair of History at the University of Michigan, in the absence of Prof. Hudson. He has written a "History of the University of Wisconsin" and "Local Government in Wisconsin," in vol. VIII of the Johns Hopkins University Studies. This year Prof. Spencer will give the following courses:

1. General History of England. 2. History of Europe in the 18th century. 3. American Colonial History. 4. Seminary course in the history of political theory in the

17th and 18th centuries.—Palo Alto. (L. S. J. U.)

Tennessee A—The following, concerning a Phi of the class of '79 is clipped from the *Nashville Banner*, September 6:

"Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones of New York, arrived in this city yesterday and are with Gen. Ira P. Jones, father of Mr. Jones, on Carroll street. The New York Herald has the following in regard to their recent marriage in that city: Miss Constance Andrews, daughter of Mr. Constant A. Andrews, the banker, of this city, was married at noon yesterday at St. Ignatius' Church, to Mr. Paul Jones, son of Gen. Ira P. Jones of Nashville, Tenn., and a lawyer also of this city. The ceremony was performed by Father Ritchie, rector of the church. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of white satin, which was the wedding gown worn by her mother. The veil was fastened with a diamond pin, the gift of the groom, as was a prayer-book. There were no bridesmaids, but Miss Mary H. Field acted as maid of honor. The best man was Mr. T. Foster Gaines and the ushers were the Messrs. J. Darrell Nicol, Joshua Brown, Dr. Lucius C. Adamson and A. B. Hodges. Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was given at No. 29 East Twenty-first street."

Tennessee A—Since the announcement of the marriage of Mr. Lemuel R. Campbell, '80, and Miss Johnnie Marshall, society has been anticipating the event with interest and pleasure. The popularity of both of them, their wide circle of friends, their extended connection and their prominent position in the most cultured circle of the city, made the occasion one of unusual importance. The ceremony was performed at the First Presbyterian Church at 5:30 o'clock yesterday evening. The church was crowded, almost overflowing, some time before the hour had arrived. A very large number of the ladies present wore evening attire, and the assemblage was a beautiful one. None more brilliant had ever gathered within the sacred edifice.

One of the most notable features of the marriage was the freshness and loveliness of the young ladies who attended the bride. Miss Effie McClung, of Knoxville, a first cousin of the bride, was first bridesmaid, and the others acting with her were Miss Mary Demoville, Miss Mary Laura Champe and Miss Mary Lurton, a quartette of beauties that could hardly be matched outside of Tennessee. Each was gowned in pure white and carried a bouquet of pink Mermot roses. The groomsmen, who served as ushers, were Chancellor Kirkland and Messrs. J. C. McReynolds, E. A. Price, C. C. Slaughter, M. G. Buckner, A. S. Grandy, F. W. Allen and W. B. Palmer. Of these McReynolds, Price and Palmer were Phis. At the organ, Mrs. Claude Street presided with accustomed skill, her exquisite touch bringing out all the melody and power of the instrument.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Jerry Witherspoon, D. D., the beloved pastor, whose useful career in Nashville is soon to close. The solemn words which made the pair facing him man and wife were impressively pronounced. The effect was heightened by the soft strains of "Sweetest Story Ever Told" from the organ, which changed to the "Bridal March" from Lohengrin as the bridal couple retired down the right aisle, the other members of the party withdrawing on the same

sides they had entered.

From the church the party drove to the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Ellen Marshall, on North Vine street, where a reception was tendered to intimate friends and near relatives of the two families which had been united by marriage. Mrs. Marshall and her daughter, Mrs. Francis Ewing, were assisted in receiving by a number of ladies.

The handsomely furnished home was decorated with flowers, white roses and other blossoms lending fragrance to the air. In the hall was a company of musicians, and elegant refreshments were served in the dining room. The numerous and costly presents, attesting the high esteem in which bride and groom are held, were arranged in several rooms on the first and second floors.

After receiving the hearty congratulations of all, the bridal pair withdrew to take the train for Cincinnati. They will spend several days in that city, and then visit Knoxville, where the bride has numerous relatives and a large number of friends. When they return to Nashville,

which will be by December 4, they will be pleased to meet acquaintances on reception days, Tuesdays, at 120 North Vine street.

The bride is one of the most attractive and cultured young ladies in Nashville society. She is of the brunette type and has a tall and well proportioned figure, and a winning expression which betokens the gentleness and amiability of her nature. She has that grace of move-ment and self-possession, the outgrowth of a finished education and extensive travel in both America and Europe. The groom is most fortunate in winning so charming a helpmate. He is a young man well qualified to assume the position of protector to such a charge. Possessed of a handsome physique, he shows in all his actions the results of good breeding. He comes of distinguished ancestry, his father having been Gov. Wm. B. Campbell. His demeanor toward all is so courteous that he never fails to make a favorable impression. finely educated, having enjoyed the advantages of Cumberland University, Vanderbilt University and Columbia Law School, in each of which institutions he graduated with honor. For several years he has practiced law in Nashville, and he has by industry and the exercise of conspicuous talents secured a high position in the profession of his choice.

# POT-POURRI.

It has been the aim to present in this number of the Scroll a large array of chapter letters, written since the opening of the college year, so that our readers could have opportunity to see in what condition the Fraternity enters upon the year's work. For that reason we add in this department three letters received too late for insertion in their proper order. These make a total of sixty-one letters, only seven chapters failing to report. This is the largest number of letters ever presented in a single issue, and we believe their perusal will satisfy the most critical as to the general health of the Order.

### OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Alpha's membership has been further increased by the addition of two men, Bros. Henry B. Martindell, of Hamilton, O., and Alpha Sloneker, of Collinsville, O.

The chapter has leased new headquarters and will move into them in December—a suite of rooms on the third floor of the Horner Block, commodious and cosy.

THOMAS D. TEMPLE.

Oxford, Nov. 25, 1893.

### GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Georgia Gamma sent out one graduate in the class of '93, Brother E. S. Davis, whom we yet have with us in the city, where he is now employed. Three others failed to return. To replace these losses we have initiated three men from the incoming class—Sanford, Harris and Rogers. Bro. Sanford comes from Waynesborough, while Harris and Rogers live here in Macon. We also have one affiliate from Alabama Beta.

In the new faculty of Mercer this year we are pleased to find Bro. Pollock, who has charge of the Department of English. He has recently returned from study in Europe, and we welcome him as an able teacher and warm friend in  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$ .

EDWIN R. OSBORNE.

Macon, Nov. 19, 1893.

### TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

This letter to-day is to inform you in regard to the number of SCROLLS our chapter needs at present; will send in a more newsy letter for the February issue. Send us six copies and, in addition, one to Bro. L. T. Botto, Toyah, Texas, Line of T. & P. R. R.

We have initiated only two men so far, making six of us in the university up to date this session.

With best wishes for yourself and for our Fraternity in general,
I am, yours in the Bond,

GEO. W. HAMLETT.

Austin, Nov. 16, 1893.

We have not failed to notice the increasing number of references to chapter-house projects in the department of Chapter Correspondence and in private letters coming to us. Where chapter houses are already a settled feature of college life, the chapters have done and are doing good work in this line. At two or three other institutions there is good reason for believing that a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  house

will be the pioneers of their kind.

We congratulate Indiana Zeta on the propositon made the chapter by that loyal and true Phi, Charles O. Perry, '69, which proposition is detailed in the De Pauw letter. We believe Indiana Zeta will rise to the occasion and that her alumni and undergraduates will see that the conditions are met. The offer of Brother Perry should be an inspiration to this and other chapters for work on the house question.

The Reporter of the Pittsburgh alumni chapter sends in a letter mentioning a pleasant luncheon tendered the members of the chapter by Bros. R. B. Scandrett aud A. E. Linhart, at the Hotel Duquesne on Memorial Day. Also a note of the marriage of Bro. Frank S. Christy, Syracuse, '88, to Miss J. Neeld, June 1, 1893.

The first edition of the December Cosmopolitan magazine was of 360,000 copies, which that magazine claims is more than double that of any similar publication in the world. This popular magazine has been reduced to \$1.50 per year, and we can offer it in connection with the Scroll, to new subscribers, The Scroll and The Cosmopolitan, for \$2.00 per annum.

The friends of Bro. F. S. Ball, the genial president of Beta Province, many of whom have known of his serious illness at Portsmouth, Ohio, will be glad to hear that he is on the safe, though somewhat slow, road to recovery. He expects to return to his law practice in Montgomery, Ala., January 1st.

M. M. and John T. Boddie, both members of Tennessee Alpha, have presented to that chapter the table that was used in the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  headquarters, which they provided at the Great Western Hotel, Chicago, during the World's Fair. The table will be preserved as an interesting historical souvenir in the chapter house.

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#### EDWIN BOOTH.

Great actor of our deeds of life and heart,
How many lives you lived, the grave, the gay;
Thine eye could read the silent thoughts that sway
The souls of men, and then could counterpart
The passions that in vengeful anger start,
Or picture us the sweet and mirthful play
Of tender love. Above fame's vain display
Thy soul in its own greatness dwelt apart.

And lo! the best and truest part that thou
Hast played for us, the cherished of them all,
Thine own great, noble, genuine life, is now
Forever past our power to recall.
We see, with saddened hearts, the parting bow,
And watch the lights go out at curtain's fall.

EDWIN O. GROVER, Dartmouth, '94.

In the Dartmouth Literary Monthly.

## THE CATALOGUE—SIXTH EDITION, 1894.

The sixth edition of the catalogue was edited by Frank D. Swope and E. H. L. Randolph, editors of the third edition of the song book. As the latter is far ahead of its predecesors, so the last edition of the catalogue is greatly in advance of any which has previously appeared. The Fraternity has true cause to be proud of both song book and catalogue, each of which takes rank beside the best similar productions of any fraternity.

Swope accepted a proposition made by Randolph that they become co-editors of a new edition of the catalogue, and at the meeting of the General Council in New York in January, 1888, they were duly authorized to proceed A circular was prepared to be sent to each member, with the request that he return it with blanks filled with biographical data. Copies of this circular were first issued March 22, 1888, and that may be considered the date of the beginning of work on the book. The territory was divided as follows:

Randolph: Chapters in Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee; the Mexican Gulf, and the Atlantic seaboard States,

except Virginia and the Carolinas.

Swope: Chapters in Virginia, the Carolinas, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, and all territory west of

the Mississippi river, except Texas.

The task of catalogue editors would be a comparatively easy one, if at the inception of their labors, they were supplied with a full list of all members initiated by the various chapters, if all addresses were accurately given with streets and numbers for large cities, and if, when the first circular, asking for personal data, should be received by each member, he would immediately fill out and return But such fortunate conditions never exist. Some chapters are very slow in sending in revised lists of their members, and those who prepare such lists, being in most cases young and inexperienced, do not as a rule realize the great necessity of accuracy. Chapter and college records should supply full names of all members, college honors and degrees, but it is rarely that a competent man is found in a chapter to furnish such details. Chapters should always keep informed as to movements of their correspondent members, but it is most frequently the case that a chapter looses sight of a large proportion of its members after they have left college several years. Young graduates are a very nomadic class, and very often one of them changes his residence half a dozen times before finally locating and taking up a permanent business. Consider that the catalogue editors are total strangers to all except a few hundreds out of the thousands of Phis, and you will understand something of the difficulty of finding the latest residences and occupations of all members, not to speak of other important details about them. Every conceivable clue must be followed in order to learn the whereabouts of some members who, though probably living, seem to have disappeared from the face of the earth. But most exasperating of all catalogue troubles is the indifference shown by many members. It often happens that the editors are sure they

have a certain man located, but no response is received from him. The non-return of circulars, sent in sealed envelopes, bearing the address of the editors, with request that they be returned in case of non-delivery, is proof that they have been received by the persons for whom they were intended. Yet many members, perhaps from indifference, perhaps carelessness, will receive circular after circular, without making the slightest acknowledgment, and there have been not a few instances when members were uncivil enough to pay no attention to personal letters beseeching them to furnish information for their biographical record. Such are some of the trials and tribulations of catalogue making. In case of death of members the difficulty of obtaining authentic data concerning them is greatly increased. In the SCROLL for May-June, 1889, was published a list of 286 members with either incomplete names or uncertain addresses or both. Of these 200 belong to Swope's chapters, and 86 to Randolph's chapters. It was requested that anything known about these "lost" members be communicated to the editors. In the SCROLL for June, 1890, Swope published another list of "tough cases," this time including 274 members of his chapters. This list was afterward issued in pamphlet form for more general distribution. Prior to the National Convention, in October, 1889, three hundred dollars was spent in catalogue work, which sum was used for stationery, printing and postage, connected with the collection of data.

At the 1889 Convention, Randolph and Swope were elected editors of the catalogue. The convention decided to levy an assessment of one dollar per capita, upon all attendant members, January 15, 1890, and all initiated subsequently; the payment of which, should entitle each to a copy of the book when published. In case the catalogue should be ready for issue before the next convention, an expenditure of \$2,500 was authorized on the publication, and if the amount received from the assessment should be insufficient, the General Council was empowered to add to it from the general fund. Subsequently, at a meeting of the General Council held in Louisville, upon the representation of the editors that the book could not be furnished for \$1.00, the action of the 1889 Convention was modified, and it was resolved that all members who paid the assessment should be entitled to a catalogue upon the payment of \$1.50 additional. Those who paid the assessment might, therefore, obtain the book at a cost of \$2.50 per copy, fifty cents less than

the regular price.

During the remainder of 1889, and all of 1890, the laborious and infinitely tedious work of collecting biographical data proceeded asiduously. The drudgery of such a mass of work of this kind cannot be comprehended by any one except those who have had experience with it. When all materials have been collected another herculean task is encountered, the preparation of copy. Days, weeks and months must be spent in bringing all the details into an orderly and systematic arrangement, and the greatest painstaking is essential to secure the symmetry and uni-

formity of the whole.

The first copy for the sixth edition was sent to the printers in January, 1891. For lack of money the work became embarrassed in the spring and during the summer printing was practically suspended. At the National Convention in October, 1891, the editors made a report of the progress made, and another report was made by the committee on catalogue, Swope, chairman. One hundred and sixteen pages had been put in type, and 3,500 copies of the first 96 pages had been printed. All this had been paid for, and since the last Convention \$2,504.78 had been expended for printing, postage, and other expenses of This tallied with the report of the collecting materials. Treasurer of the General Council, which showed that of the \$2,504.78, the amount paid on catalogue taxes was \$1,234. The cost per 16 page form was \$112 for composition, paper and press work. Included in this was \$20, the average cost per form for corrections. The editors had adopted the excellent but very laborious plan of sending to each member a proof of his entry in the cata-Returns were received from about 90 per cent. of the members, and many were thus induced to furnish data who had before been repeatedly requested to furnish it, but without compliance. The corrections necessary to be made in the type were expensive, but added immensely to the accuracy of the book.

The editors estimated that the 116 pages already typed would be about one-fourth the book. The collection of materials was practically completed, and the editors were desirous of going forward rapidly with the printing. The means would have to be provided by the Convention. On a basis of 22 forms of 16 pages each still to be printed. \$2,464 would be required, not including binding, estimated at thirty cents per copy in cloth. It was thought the printers would agree to accept half cash, remainder in notes from the Fraternity to be paid out of proceeds of sales. It would therefore be necessary to provide for about \$1,250, to be expended as needed until the book should be completed.

This was a plain, straight-forward, business-like report, but some dissatisfaction was manifested by an element in the Convention, seeing which the editors tendered their resignations. No one in the Convention was willing to take up so stupendous a work as the catalogue, and the editors yielded to urgent demands that they withdraw their resignations, and a unanimous vote of confidence in them was passed. The Convention requested the editors to ascertain whether the printers would finish the book for one-half cash, balance in notes of the Fraternity. The sum of \$1,200 was set apart as a catalogue fund, and the Treasurer of the General Council was instructed to pay the expenses of the catalogue out of this fund, which should not be used for any other purpose. All sums received as catalogue tax should be passed to this fund.

It is a fact possibly not known to the Fraternity at large, that what the Convention ordered to be done regarding the catalogue was never done. The plan adopted for completing the publication was a practical one, and if it had been carried out the sixth edition would have been issued many months earlier. But it seems that the cash in the treasury for some time after the Convention of 1891 was not sufficient to pay even a small portion of the \$1.250 ordered to be paid to continue the publication. For a long time the work was at a standstill because of the lack of means. The editors were more than anxious to proceed in order to get through as soon as possible with a work that was a heavy load upon them. They had done their part, they had worked diligently for years, but they could not publish an expensive catalogue without money. After much negotiation with the General Council, and after the treasury began to be replenished by receipt of the annual assessment due April 1, 1892, it was decided that the General Council should provide \$1,000 in order to complete the catalogue, the editors binding themselves to apply all moneys received from the sale of catalogues, first, to payment of printers' bills, and second, to repayment into the treasury of the difference between the catalogue taxes received by the Treasurer of the General Council and the \$1,000 advanced, any remainder to be subject to the action of the next Convention. It is hardly necessary to state here in what other material respects this agreement differed from the resolutions on the subject adopted by the Convention. It may be mentioned, however, that in addition to the \$1,000 thus provided, the editors themselves advanced \$350 in cash. accepted these terms rather than be longer delayed. The notes of the Fraternity were not given to the printers for the work not paid for in cash, as contemplated by the 1891 Convention, and though the amount advanced from the treasury was much smaller than the Convention ordered, the editors hoped that with this, and with the money that might be received from subscribers to the book in advance of publication, and with their own credit with the printers, they would be able to get "out of the woods."

These statements will give some idea of the financial difficulties encountered in issuing the catalogue. But for them, all would have been comparatively easy sailing. The printers were not set to work again until June 15, 1892, and then, owing to the long delay, they were unable to find paper in the market to match that on which the first forms had been printed, and a new supply had to be manufactured. From that time to the present, however, the mechanical work has proceeded with such occasional delays as were unavoidable on the part of the editors. The printers have been very accommodating, but as catalogue work was not paid for promptly they were compelled, to meet current expenses, to neglect it for cash jobs. In October and November, 1892, the whole printing establishment was engaged in getting out election tickets. Such occurrences were frequent, and though the editors were no little annoyed they were helpless to hurry the work. Copy was furnished to the printers as fast as they would take it, and they never had to wait for corrected proofs. Randolph supervised the publication in New York. Swope, in Louisville, would return proof by midnight of the day it was received. Such a work as a catalogue cannot be hurried through the press under the most favorable circumstances. One set of compositors must be employed throughout to obtain a uniform typographical appearance, and proofs must be closely read several times, as the proper names, Greek letters, symbols and abbreviations used require the exercise of the greatest care.

During the summer of 1893 it seemed that for lack of funds the catalogue would have to be issued without the residence directory and alphabetical arrangement of names, which would have detracted very greatly from the usefulness of the book. The editors, however, decided not to publish an incomplete work, and to meet expense circulars were issued to subscribers asking them to forward the price of the book, which would be sent to them on publication. I write to explain why the sixth edition has been long delayed that the Fraternity may understand the facts. I know there is always complaint about delay in issuing such a work on the part of those who have no comprehension of the difficulties that must be overcome. The fourth edition, 1878, was four years in preparation; the fifth edition, 1883, five years. I was one of the editors of the fifth edition, and the impatient inquiries from all quarters, heard for years, as to when the catalogue would be out? became an almost intolerable bore. I hardly ever met a Phi but that the question was put to me, and at Fraternity banquets I was called on to speak on "The Coming(?) Catalogue," the subject, including the interrogation point expressing doubt, being printed on the toast card. Since the publication of the first edition in 1860, which was only a pamphlet,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has had no catalogue issued without a change of editors. Randolph and Swope began their work March 22, 1888. and completed it by December 31, 1893, making five years and nine months. They have overcome all obstacles, and they deserve credit for their persistency and success.

The sixth edition, which has just been issued from the press of Vanden, Houten & Co., New York, is a sumptuous volume. The typographical appearance is beautiful. The type is open and clear, the press work excellent, and the paper, which is very heavy, cream-colored, and calendared, is probably superior to that used for any other fraternity catalogue. The book is a delight to the eye. Any lover of books would admire its fair pages and turn with pleasure the broad margined leaves. There are over twice as many pages as in the 1883 edition, and the printed portion of each page is increased by 3% of an inch in length and the same in breadth. The title page runs:

"The Catalogue | of | Phi Delta Theta | Sixth Edition | Editors | Eugene Henry Lewis Randolph | New York Gamma, '85 | Frank Dugan Swope | Indiana Ep-

silon, '85 | Εις ἀνὴρ οὐδεὶς ἀνήρ | Published by the Fraternity in its XLVI Year | New York | 1894."

Besides the title page the eight introductory pages contain the "Index," "College Chapters," and "Explanation." The editors had the most recent catalogues of all the prominent fraternities for examination with the view of adopting their best features, but decided to follow the model of the 1883 edition of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's catalogue. I acknowledge the compliment paid to the editors of that edition in adopting its plan so closely. There are, however, a number of improvements. The most noticeable typographical change is in setting all the chapter lists in brevier, instead of putting the name in brevier and the biographical notes in nonpareil, as in the 1883 edition. The use of only one size of type makes a much handsomer Besides it should be cheaper, because where brevier and nonpareil are so mixed as in the 1883 edition, the printers measure all as nonpareil. The same Greek letters and symbols are used as in 1883. There are two Greek letters for every name, while in the 1883 edition some names had only one each. The names are set in caps and small caps, instead of caps and lower case as in 1883.

A very great improvement is that the members of small, suspended chapters are not combined with other chapter lists, as in the fifth and other editions. The list of every chapter appears separately, except the second chapter which existed a few months at Miami in 1852, and the second chapter which existed a few months at Centre in 1855. When the charters of these chapters were surrendered the members joined Ohio Alpha or Kentucky Alpha again, and therefore there should be but one chapter list for Miami and one for Centre. There are eighty-three chapters, and their lists are arranged chronologically according to dates of charters, as in 1883, but historical research having corrected some errors and supplied some omissions in dates, the order is changed in some instances. The exact dates of charters are given for all chapters except those at Wabash, Wittenberg, Austin. Hanover and Monmouth. Indiana Epsilon at Hanover was chartered December 14, 1868, but there is evidence that it was chartered originally in 1860 or 1861. The total number of members is 7,288. It will be noted that the membership has more than doubled since 1883, when it was 3,460. Of the 7,288 members only 468, or

about 6½ per cent., are dead, a remarkably low percent-

age of mortality.

It would be impossible to place too high an estimate upon the work of the editors in securing full biographical data concerning every member for the sixth edition. In general terms the data includes the full name of every member, his degrees, residence, occupation, literary work, army record, positions held in Church and State, college and fraternity honors and relationship in the fraternity. The amount of detail is enormous and its completeness is astonishing. A good test of the thoroughness of a fraternity catalogue is the number of incomplete names. In the fifth edition there are 302 incomplete names. In the sixth edition the number has been reduced to 21, and this I consider the most wonderful thing about the book. Following are the names:

Edward H. Rossman, Ohio Alpha, '57; Charles E. Baker, Ohio Alpha, '60; Craft C. Holbrook, Ohio Alpha, '66; Robert O. Strong, Ohio Alpha, '67; James M. Givens, Kentucky Alpha, '56; Walter L. Thompson, Kentucky Alpha, '79; Martin J. Miller, Indiana Beta, '64; G. M. Lee, Kentucky Beta, '56; W. J. Flournoy, Kentucky Beta, '56; Frank G. Thompson, Illinois Alpha, '86; Platt J. Squier, Indiana Gamma, '62: J. F. Coffman, Ohio Beta. '75; Ervy L. Goodrich, Michigan Alpha, '70; W. P. Higginson, Illinois Beta. '68; Eugene W. Risley, Illinois Delta, '75; Edward W. Wood, Illinois Delta, '78; Robert L. Wright, Georgia Beta, '75; David L. Winter, Ohio Delta, '71; John F. Henneberger, Virginia Delta, '76; Horace M. Whaling, Virginia Delta, '76; James W. S. Arnold, Tennessee Beta, '85.

Of the 7,288 names in the book, the 21 which are incomplete are less than three-tenths of one per cent. This is believed to be a very much smaller per cent, than shown by the catalogue of any other large fraternity except  $\Psi Y$ . It is very much smaller than the percentage in the latest catalogue of  $\Delta K E$ ,  $A \Delta \Phi$ , or  $B \Theta \Pi$ . But two days after the Kentucky Beta list was printed, the full name of William Jordan Flournoy, '56, was received. This reduces the number of incomplete names to twenty, of which only three are lacking in both first and middle names. Such a remarkable result was accomplished only by beating backward and forward again and again over the long list of unfound members. Frank G. Thompson was traced to his grave in Denver. Eugene W. Risley was chased all

over the West but never found. Ervy L. Goodrich, W. P. Higginson, Edward W. Wood and, John F. Henneberger were located respectively in Minneapolis, Chicago, New York and Baltimore, from which cities they registered while in college, but although the aid of classmates, contemporaneous Phis, local Phis, city directories and chiefs of police was invoked, no clue was obtained. More than one hundred letters were received relating to Goodrich's case alone. These are but instances. In the nature of things such a book as a fraternity catalogue, dealing in tens of thousands of separate facts, cannot be entirely free from error, but the sixth edition speaks for itself as being a thorough and conscientious piece of work, and a critical examination will prove it to be marvelously accurate as to the myriads of details.

The chapter lists embrace from page 9 to 383 inclusive. Then come seven pages devoted to "Alumni Chapters," of which chapters there are 29. The dates of charters as well as names of charter members of all are given except California Alpha Alumni, the date of which is approxi-The "Table of Consanguinity" occupies eight pages. An improvement is to be noted here over the 1883 edition in the names being set in brevier instead of nonpareil. The number of groups is as follows: grandfather and grandson, 1; father and two sons, 3; father and son, 27; five brothers, 3; four brothers, 8; three brothers, 49; two brothers, 426; number of related members, 1,107, or over 15 per cent, of the whole number of members. The "Alphabetical Arrangement" begins on page 399, and after it follows the "Residence Directory." There are no "Corrections and Additions" as in 1883. The book is bound in blue cloth, with silver side stamp of "Catalogue of Phi Delta Theta" and the names of the editors. price of the book is \$3 per copy; full morocco binding, Orders may be sent to either E. H. L. Randolph, P. O. Box 1398, New York, or Frank D. Swope, P. O. Box 440, Louisville, Ky.

An analysis of the book shows that the number of pages prepared by each editor was as follows: Randolph, 198 pages of chapter lists, embracing 44 chapters and 4,000 members. As a basis for beginning he had 1,522 members of 21 chapters in the 1883 edition. Swope, 177 pages of chapter lists, embracing 39 chapters and 3279 members. As a basis he had 1,838 members of 30 chapters in the 1883 edition. Randolph prepared the eight introductory

pages and the "Residence Directory," and Swope the "Alumni Chapters," "Table of Consanguinity," and

"Alphabetical Arrangement."

Correspondence with both the editors during the years they were making the catalogue kept me acquainted with the difficulties under which they labored, and causes me to appreciate the personal sacrifices they have made to give ΦΔΘ a catalogue surpassed by none. Swope was at Harvard from 1886 to 1889, receiving L.L. B. there in the latter year. He carried seven courses in the law school, though only four were required for graduation, and he took his degree cum laude. Only ten men in the class received this honor. In addition, A. M. was conferred on him for high standing, and he was the only man in the class not a Harvard A. B. to receive this degree. In the fall of 1889 he located at Louisville, becoming connected with a very prominent law firm. He was suddenly plunged into a whirl of business which left him no spare time during the day. All his evenings were spent on catalogue work, and he sometimes used to reel off fifty letters a night. The strain was too great. His health failed in August, 1890. Disregarding orders of his physicians, he continued the catalogue work as he could, but he broke down completely in November and in January he went to Florida, taking with him, however, a trunk full of catalogue materials. Down in the piny woods he found that it took a week for a letter to reach him from New York and a week for his reply to reach that place. March, 1891, he was prostrated, unable to leave his bed. In May he returned to Louisville. In September, 1892, his father died suddenly, and the settlement of the family estate, involving many widely scattered interests, devolved upon him. For a whole year he went to Indiana once every week, often staying several days and traveling over 4,000 miles. Meantime he was keeping up with his law practice which was constantly on the increase and becoming more exacting in its demands.

Randolph always had his hands full of fraternity work besides the catalogue. He was editor of the Scroll, 1887-89; Historian of the General Council, 1886-89; President of the General Council, 1889-91; editor of the College Fraternity, 1892-93. His fraternity duties alone were multifarious and responsible. In the winter of 1888-9 his father died. He took charge of his father's affairs and managed a manufacturing enterprise

until disposed of. He moved to Plainfield, N. I., but was engaged in the general offices of a railroad company in New York City. This employment of course left him no time for fraternity work of any kind during the day. It requires an hour and a half to go from his residence to his place of business—three hours a day in traveling. It was necessary for him to make continual trips to the printers of the catalogue. Besides a family of wife and children demanded his attention. The wonder is that either of these two men accomplished the half or the tenth of what he did. Only the strongest attachment to the Fraternity would have made them continue in their work, embarrassed as they were by such harassing circumstances. Would anyone criticise what they have done, I would ask him, did you volunteer to perfect the list of your own chapter or any part of it, did you assist the editors in finding any of the members who were published as missing, and have you yet helped them to the extent even of

paying for a book?

When sometime in the future some Phi has the temerity to undertake the preparation of the seventh edition of the catalogue of the Fraternity he should carefully digest the article on "Fraternity Catalogue Making" read by Brother Swope at the Fraternities Congress at Chicago last summer, and published in the last number of THE SCROLL. By following the advice there given the editor will be able to avoid dangerous financial shoals. It takes money to publish such catalogues as fraternities publish these days. At the rate  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is growing the entire membership will reach the 10,000 mark some time before the close of the present century. But it is doubtful whether the Fraternity will ever be able to publish a catalogue of over 500 or 600 pages of the size of those in the sixth edition, no matter how many members there may be. biographical data must be cut down to the limits indicated by Brother Swope, only the really very important details being retained. I would also urge the importance of the Fraternity adopting a membership record book, a copy of which should be furnished to each chapter, and in which should be entered all personal details worthy of being preserved. An excellent form of annual reports from Chapter Historians to the Historian of the General Council was adopted last year, but it needs to be supplemented with a membership record book. With this book the reports would be made out much more promptly and accurately. The future editor, with a file of annual reports since the sixth edition was issued, will have the benefit of great assistance; and in case of the loss of any the books could be consulted. It would be well also to require the Historian of the General Council to collect and systematically arrange biographical information contained in annual reports, annual circular letters, The Scroll and college papers, and obtained from all other sources.

In connection with a consideration of the time required to issue the sixth edition it will be interesting to make a comparison with other fraternities which have recently issued or been endeavoring to issue new catalogues. As before stated, work on the sixth edition began the last of March, 1888, and ended the last of December, 1893, making five years and nine months. Deducting from this the year from the summer of 1891 to the summer of 1892, when work was suspended for lack of funds, the actual working time was four years and nine months.

B & II's last catalogue was issued in 1881. A supplement was issued in 1886. A catalogue circular dated November 15, 1888, and issued by J. Cal. Hanna, a prominent Beta official, begins thus:

"The Forty-ninth Annual Convention of our Fraternity, held at Wooglin-on-Chautauqua, July 24-31, 1888, ordered the publication of a catalogue of the Fraternity that should suitably mark the semi-centennial anniversary of the foundation of our order occurring next year. The undersigned was appointed catalogue editor, and is working in the hope of publishing the most complete and accurate fraternity catalogue ever put forth. . . . . It is earnestly desired that the catalogue be issued from the press in the early part of 1889."

In the Beta Theta Pi for May, 1892, three and a half years later, appeared the following announcement by Mr. Hanna:

"The catalogue editor has decided to go to press with the semicentennial catalogue without further delay, and to push the work by printing and binding rapidly to completion. . . . . Copy, according to present plans, will begin to go to the printer about the 15th of June."

This was very positive, but the same magazine for October, 1893, contained the following editorial:\*

In an account of Beta Theta Pi's last convention in the same number of the Beta organ is the following: "Brother Hanna read an article on catalogue making, by Mr. Swope, the catalogue editor of Phi Delta Theta, which had been presented at the World's Fair Fraternity Congress. The annotations introduced by Brother Hanna in the course of his reading showed that he appreciated the difficulties under which another fraternity had labored in work parallel to his own."

"The report of the catalogue editor, J. Cal. Hanna, to be found in the convention minutes, should be read with unusual interest by every member of the Fraternity. The work connected with preparing the new catalogue has been nothing short of colossal. Hanna has done this work to his own detriment. He has done no grumbling, but has tried by all honorable means to elicit the interest of every Beta in the hope that the work when completed would contain all the information the most exacting individual might desire. Owing to the utter lack of sympathy exhibited by some, data will be found wanting in some This fault rests with these individuals themselves and should not be laid at the feet of the catalogue editor. On this point the editor says: 'The data for a few of the chapters is very meagre. large numbers of their alumni having neglected to furnish data when requested to do so. Most delinquent are the following chapters: Ohio University, Western Reserve, Indiana, Hampden-Sidney, Cumberland, University of Virginia and University of Mississippi.

There is yet time for the members of these chapters to come to the assistance of the editor of the catalogue. This work must be done speedily if at all. Arrangements have been made to send the catalogue to press, and the day is not far distant when it will be ready for distribution. When it does appear we will have a catalogue which should be the constant companion of every Beta who really wants to know the actual status of the Fraternity. Considerable comment has been made on the delay in getting out the new volume. To those who are growing restive we commend for perusal the golden rule. Fraternity catalogues are not compiled in a day, as those who have

produced them will bear evidence."

This was published nearly five years after the first catalogue circular had been issued, and still no copy had gone Furthermore, it appears that all the data was not in hand last October. It is not stated whether the data already collected had been arranged in copy for the press, but certain it is that with all materials at hand it would require the whole time of one man for many months to prepare the copy for a catalogue of as many members as BΘΠ has. But considering that Mr. Hanna was ready to send the catalogue to press January 1, 1894, and considering that he should have no embarrassments for money, he could not, even under the most favorable circumstances, get the book out before the end of the year. The peculiar character of such a book prevents it from being rushed through the press if the care that should be taken with it is exercised. Not counting six weeks' suspension the printers were at work six months on our 1883 edition containing 230 pages. Not counting a year's suspension the printers were at work two years on our 1894 edition containing twice as many pages. It was announced

in the original catalogue circular that the book to be issued in commemoration of B@Π's semi-centennial in 1889 would contain 600 pages. These facts show the results of a contemporaneous effort in catalogue making by a fra-

ternity as big, and as well equipped as our own.

△ K E's last catalogue was begun in 1883.\* In 1887 a hundred and fifty pages that had gone through the press were abandoned because the printed information had, during a long suspension of work, become largely obsolete. A new beginning was made; and after the materials were worked over the printers began again. The catalogue is reviewed in the Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly for October, 1890, but the reviewer said, "the last pages are not yet off the press." The preface is dated December, 1890, but as a matter of fact the book was not issued until late in the following year. It will be seen, therefore, that between seven and eight years passed during the preparation and publication of the volume, the cost of which is said to have been \$16,000. yet when one examines the tome and sees the comprehensive scope of the work and its infinite detail, it seems that it would be unreasonable to have expected it to have been produced in any less time. The reviewer in the Quarterly gives this explanation of how such a great work

"To these gentlemen, then, the credit of the present catalogue is due. On every working day during the past three years at least one, and often two of them, has spent five to fourteen hours on work of the same kind which sends so many insane from the United States Statistical bureaus; and during all this time from three to six clerks have been steadily enployed on purely clerical work. No one unfamiliar with this class of work can form any idea from the completed volume of the labor necessary to produce it. About 50,000 letters and circulars have been sent out, in some cases as many as eight autograph letters to a single individual, and an average of five commucations to every man in the fraternity."

The last catalogue of  $\Phi K \Psi$  was published in 1880. The preparation of a new edition was begun in 1887 or before. This fraternity had an experience similar to  $\Delta$  K E, for after a hundred or more pages had been printed a long

The review of the book in the \*\*2narterly\*\*. October, 1890, says: "One of the first duties forced upon the attention of the Council after its organization in 1883 was the publication of a complete biographical catalogue. . . . To collect and collate these records from the clues which they furnished, to follow up and ascertain the careers of 10,000 men . . . . was the task to the accomplishment of which the Council addressed itself." The article on Delta Kappa Epsilon in the 1890 edition of "American College Fraternities" says: "A new and very elaborate catalogue has been in preparation for the past seven years."

suspension of work occurred, and the delay necessitated so many changes that the printed pages were abandoned and the printers began at the first again. When about half the book had been printed the printed pages and some of the copy were destroyed by the fire which burned out The Scroll in January, 1892. The volume is now in the binders hands and practically ready for distribution.

In giving these facts concerning other fraternities, which have been gathered from their own publications, no criticism of their catalogue efforts is intended. The facts are valuable because they throw a strong light upon the difficulties and delays of catalogue making. That the editors of the sixth edition of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's catalogue have met and overcome these obstacles in so reasonable a time is to their credit, and they deserve the hearty congratulations and lasting gratitude of the whole fraternity.

WALTER B. PALMER.

## THE TWILIGHT AND THE SUN.

I.

It is the hour when twilight's footsteps steal Upon the slumbering sunset field of gold, Striving her hidden powers to reveal And hide the crimson glory 'neath her fold; To close the sunshine from the tranquil earth, And give to sable night, her solemn birth.

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The sunset in her efforts to withhold Her kingdom from the marching foe, Fits to her bow the arrow-shafts of gold, Forged in the fires of an earlier glow; That flash defiance down the dark'ning dales, And awake the glory of the silent vales.

III.

But twilight's way the tide of battle turns, And ends the peaceful conflict of the hour. The sunset in her spirit proudly burns, Yet yields at last her foe's supremer power; The emblems of the conquered sunset slowly cease, And twilight, modest victor, reigns in peace.

DANA D. WALLACE, Dartmouth, '97.

In the Dartmouth Literary Monthly.

## "FRATERNITY FINANCES."

[A paper read before the Congress of Fraternities, Worlds' Fair Auxiliary, Memorial Art Institute, Chicago, July 19, 1893.]

A solid financial basis underlies all successful organizations. To secure this, a well regulated financial system adopted and carried out is a necessity. How to accomplish this all important result in our Fraternities is an interesting question, and occupies our thoughts at this time.

Among the essentials that present themselves to our notice, is, in the first place, the selection of a first class man for Treasurer. He should be, ex-officio collector, possessing every qualification to secure success in that particular branch of the work. A sufficient bond should be required as a guarantee for faithful accounting of the funds.

In the second place, the fraternity should at the beginning of its fiscal year make a proper estimate of its needs for each department of the work.

# Suggestions to Chapters—

First. The running expenses of the Chapter (which include Chapter Houses or Halls), for the term should be estimated and equally divided among the active members, viz.: The expenses accruing from rents, wages of janitor, house keeper, fuel, lights, printing, fraternity literature, expenses incident to the reception of visiting brothers, taxes, insurance, repairs, hospital service, and last but not least, the annual dues due the General Treasury.

I would recommend payment in advance by each of the active members of his proportion on their entering school, let this expense be provided for before they leave home, it being considered of as much importance as the tuition money to be paid to the University or College.

### Suggestions to Fraternities.—

An estimate should be made in advance at the beginning of the fiscal year or convention year by members or delegates at a regular meeting with as nearly as possible unaminous vote of the chapters, State, Province or National Convention respectively. A copy of this estimate should be printed and furnished each member. To raise the money one annual assessment should be made by the fraternity or chapter, and where there remains a deficiency

not subscribed, let a pro rated assessment among the active members be made to make up the amount. Let the payments on both subscriptions and assessments be made as nearly as possible at the beginning of each term rather

than at the first of each month.

The Treasurer should keep a separate account with each fund, and chapter, and the chapter treasurer should also keep a separate account with each of its members and funds, each being able to strike a balance at any time. To all the chapters in arrears a notice should be sent out from the Treasurer's office each month. While the General Treasurer should be prompt in paying proper drafts on himself, it is just as requisite that the individual members of chapters be as prompt in paying their dues into the respective chapter treasuries.

Carelessness of Members of Chapters in regard to their financial obligations.—

It is a well-known fact that young men in our Colleges and Universities are often careless in regard to the payment of their fraternity and chapter dues, many postponing this duty until the last moment, evidently considering the chapter less exacting than a business house or individuals outside of the fraternity to whom they may be indebted. This suggests the importance of paying, at the beginning of the term, all dues required for the expenses of the term. Of course, there may be individual cases where this would be impossible, and exceptions should be made; and yet, young people who are working their way through college, as a rule, pay their dues promptly. penalty should be imposed upon any member failing, without satisfactory excuse, to pay up within thirty days after the opening of the term. Perhaps suspension would be a penalty not too severe.

General or National Convention.—

The expenses of Delegates to the National Convention of the Fraternities should be paid by a per capita assessment upon the active members. By this means the expenses are so equalized between the chapters that those remote from the place of meeting need carry no more financial burdens than those near by.

Fraternity Publications.—

Catalogues, magazines, histories, song books, etc., might at first glance be considered expensive luxuries, and yet. in an important sense, they are necessities. The funds necessary to defray the expenses incurred by these publications should be raised by subscriptions, by the alumni as well as by the active members. Perhaps in publishing the catalogue, the better plan might be—in addition to the alumni subscriptions—to make a per capita assessment upon the active members. The editing of a Fraternity Catalogue or Magazine is a mammoth undertaking. Those who have had experience in this kind of editorial work are well aware of this fact. They may look for their reward in the world to come.

Chapter Houses .-

The time has come when each chapter feels the need of an abiding place of its own. A chapter house is numbered among the necessities in the life of Fraternities in our Colleges and Universities. As late as 1850 a chapter house was seldom to be seen. Up to that time and later secrecy was the rule and the bond of Union. could be in existence for years all unknown to outsiders. An old member of the Beta Theta Pi at Greencastle, Ind., informs me that in 1847 chapter house building was talked of there, but it was decided that that would destroy the effect of secresy, an element which at that time was considered important to the success of Greek letter societies. Gradually, however, this idea became subject to many modifications. It soon became evident that there was no necessity for meeting in the back woods at 12 o'clock at night. In 1855 Delta Kappa Epsilon at Kenyon College, Ohio, built a chapter house of logs costing less than \$100 when finished. This was buttressed against eve droppers by saw dust and charcoal plastered to the walls and roof. Later on secrecy was considered less an element of success. and to-day we find elegant houses built by the undergraduates, assisted by the alumni, in many of our educational centers.

College culture is now going hand in hand with, and largely measured by the movements of college fraternities. Many Presidents and Faculties regard the fraternities, as now conducted, helpful adjuncts to the schools. They are rapidly outgrowing the weakness and prejudice of earlier years and have entered upon a grand career of prosperity. You can to-day enter a chapter house in many places and find a beautiful structure, substantially built, ornamented with works of art, and used for literary exercises, social enjoyment, lodging and study. Possessing its library and parlor, and affording opportunity for receptions

literary and social entertainments, where the faculty and older members of other fraternities are often invited.

The question arises how shall the necessary funds be raised to meet the expense of grounds and buildings, and

how shall the same be maintained?

The Trustees of the College or University, controlling real estate of the same, may be inclined to furnish the ground upon which to build. It would seem that such a disposition of their property would meet their hearty approval as well as be regarded with favor by the Faculty of our Institutions, especially in those where the high standard of the Fraternities has resulted in a formal cooperation with the Faculty in elevating the standard of college culture, morals and deportment.

The means to erect and equip the buildings could, as a rule, be raised by subscriptions and by sale of shares of stock issued by the alumni associations, and collected in

installments as needed.

I have seen a subscription for stock something like this:

I, the undersigned, hereby subscribe for of stock of the Alumni Association of	
Chapter of theand a ssociation to and I agree to pay the said association todollars for each share at su	Fraternity, the sum of
times and in such installments as shall be r the Board of Directors of said Association.	

Where fraternities are financially weak, two fraternities could unite and build a double house. While, a few years since, this plan would not have been looked upon with favor, at the present time it would not be regarded as

Signed:

objectionable.

Greek organizations constitute a great fraternity of young men and women, with less of self conceit and jealousy and more of fraternal love and better self control.

These houses should never be built until the means are provided; and that in the method herein indicated. The result is, no financial failure has overtaken any of the Greek letter societies so far as I know. The income necessary to keep up a Chapter House should be derived from a private assessment among its occupants and the fraternity benefitted by it. Any deficit might be made up from lectures by distinguished alumni. A reserve

fund should be provided for by laying aside and care-

fully investing a certain sum each year.

In many of our large cities club houses have been provided by the Alumni Associations of several Fraternities. Among the Fraternities cementing in this way the bond of good Fellowship we find Delta Psi, Delta Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Alpha Delta Phi, Phi Delta Theta, Psi Upsilon, Zeta Psi, Delta Upsilon, Beta Theta Pi, and others; these are pleasing resorts for the resident alumni and visiting brethren, and within their wall the undergraduate receives a hearty welcome. In Chicago head-quarters during the Worlds' Fair season were established by Phi Delta Theta, Delta Kappa Epsilon and others. All our Fraternities might profit by their example. The expense could be met by the resident alumni by donations or by assessment.

Each member of a Fraternity will recognize the fact that his duty to his fraternity is closely associated in the beginning of his Fraternity life with the ambitions of his youth and the preparation in the schools for the responsibilities which come to him as a citizen. It is here he learns lessons of economy; it is here he cultivates brotherly love; it is here he breathes the spirit of honorable rivalry; it is here he lays the foundations for the work of—it may be two score years and ten; and from this place there should go out an influence for good long after the fraternity boy has gone to his reward.

While fraternity life is very closely allied to the school life, its alumni are the men in the busy walks of life, the wide world over, teaching and preaching and training tne youth of the land. In a word they are making history. Who may tell the influences of the sweet memories of fraternity days, which stir the hearts of these busy men

as with a magic wand?

Ladies and Gentlemen, my thoughts to-day have been on the plain practical side of fraternity life and interests, thoughts which have come to me as the result of both observation and experience. While we fondly cherish the sentimental which flourishes so beautifully in the fraternity, and which would be a more delightful theme on this occasion for both audience and speaker, let us not forget that the careful study of the finance is necessary to success, and may we hope that its practical working as outlined in this paper may do some good.

ISAAC R. HITT, JR.,

Treasurer of G. C. of Phi Delta Theta.

# DARTMOUTH LYRICS—DARTMOUTH ATHLETICS.

THE SCROLL is indebted to Bro. Kent Knowlton, of the New Hampshire Alpha Chapter for two volumes of which the above heading gives the titles. We consider the books worthy of special mention in our pages, because they embody something out of the ordinary lines in college publications, with which idea it is well for other college men to become acquainted. Both books are substantially and handsomely bound. Dartmouth Lyrics is a volume of 160 pages edited by Mr. Bertrand A. Smalley. '94, and is in fact a new edition of a volume of verse published in 1888. Its title page shows it to be "a collection of Poems from the undergraduate publications of Dartmouth College." Evidently the original edition was successful in pleasing Dartmouth friends, for besides the edition being exhausted it stimulated the publication of a similar publication of "Dartmouth Prose" in 1892.

Only the college with a thorough saturation of literary spirit could produce this book, and of such colleges we have only a few. The "Literary Monthly" so well sustained by this class, stands as a guarantee of the continuation and thriving of the literary spirit. Only such poems as have appeared in Dartmouth publications appear in this volume. Thirty-six writers are represented by one hundred and fifteen poems, while eight are from annoymous writers. Of the contributors only seven are present undergraduates and of this seven, three are Phis. Brother E. O. Grover, '94, is represented by six poems, Kent Knowlton, '94, by four, and I. J. Cox, '96, by one. Half-tone portraits of nineteen of the contributors are given, and four engravings of Dartmouth views further ornament its pages.

Comparisons should not be entered into in commenting upon this book, for the pages are creditable to Dartmouth. How the Phi contributors have sustained their part can be judged from these "bits" which we here reproduce:

## AFTER MANY DAYS.

Back in the dear old village, Again in the sleepy town. O! that our hearts might pillage The pleasures that there o'er-drown The soul that knows no sorrow: O! could our breasts but borrow The quiet of cap and gown.

O! for the tears and the laughter We mingled in days that are dead, Joy that comes no more after; Tears that never are shed. Then living was loving and pleasure, And we drank it deep without measure, And the sob of our sorrow soon fled.

We are back in the peaceful quiet, Where we dreamed four years away; Once more where Nature runs riot, And the pleasures of youth hold sway, O! take us and sing us to slumber As of old, with delights without number Which scatter your joyous way.

-EDWIN OSGOOD GROVER.

#### THE WHITE HILLS.

Stern monuments of ages past That memory cannot hold, Thou speakest of scenes and seasons Time never can unfold. Yet in thy bare and jagged rocks Which rise through seas of mist, Like hoary sentinels of fate I see the annalist.

No gentle hand was his which wrought Thy form in all its might; No whispering winds didst bare thy brow, So lofty and so white. Unmoved, unchanged, thou hast stood, Through all the flight of time, Calm in thy awful majesty,

Imperial and sublime.

-EDWIN OSGOOD GROVER.

#### DARTMOUTH HALL.

Gray, grim, forbidding, stands old Dartmouth hall,
A century through rain and wintry air,
The sport of tempests wild; once brave and fair,
Towering among the buildings, large and small,
That clustered round it, statliest of them all.
Now gone its prestige, and its outlines square,
Its gloomy corridors, its well-worn stair,
Are scorned,—its outward glory past recall.

But still among the depths of that dark pile
Old recollections linger, sweet and grand;
A history's traced on every wall and floor,
Along those alleys old-time spirits file,
At every corner ghosts of great men stand,
And crowds of ancients throng at every door.

—KENT KNOWLTON.

## AND SO DID I.

Before the fire, that winter's night,
None seemed so sweet as she,
With winning smile, and dark eyes bright,
And playful repartee.

The dancing light—as round it flashed— To her seemed drawing nigh, Her slender waist pressed unabashed; Thus guided, so did I.

It softly touched her cheeks aflame,
I scarce repressed a sigh.
It touched her lips. Dared I the same?
Too tempting: so did I.

Her ruby lips, half-pouting, seemed

My boldness to decry,

Pa's step was heard. The flame scarce gleamed,

Went out—and so did I.

-ISAAC JOSLYN COX.

The second book, "Dartmouth Athletics," is a carefully prepared history of such interests from the old game of "wicket" in 1800 and old time, free for all foot ball in 1850, down to the present time. In 1852, some enthusiasts erected a small frame building, popularly called "the gallows," whose apparatus consisted of two suspended ropes with rings, and a horizontal bar. Boating began in Baseball began in 1865, and its first intercollegiate game was a defeat by Amherst, 40 to 10. Other games are of more recent development. The frontispiece is an engraving of the "Alumni Athletic Field" of Dartmouth College. Fifty other plates appear showing prominent athletes in Dartmouth's history and victorious athletic teams. New Hampshire Alpha is represented among these by F. E. Rowe, '91, and F. P. Claggett, '94. Accurate records are given of all intercollegiate athletic events in which Dartmouth teams or men have taken part. Biographical sketches are given of all the men whose portraits appear. The editor in his work of preparing this volume of 322 pages has received able support from Dartmouth professors and alumni, and has produced a work that adds no little to the just pride aroused in those who love to dwell on the achievements of old Dartmouth.

## LETTERS FROM ALUMNI CHAPTERS.

# I. New York.

On the evening of January 12th, the New York Alumni ioined with the members of the Columbia Chapter, in holding a dinner at the Hotel Endicott. The credit of the enterprise belongs to the Columbia men, who with the renewal of the activities of that chapter, decided to revive likewise its old and established custom of annual dinners. A few years ago these annual dinners of the chapter were a notable event in our fraternity year, and with the monthly and, later, the annual dinners of the alumni, furnished good means for keeping warm old-time fraternity enthusiasm. But with the withdrawal of our active chapters from Columbia and the City College, came an inactivity upon the Alumni Association, which possibly had depended too much upon the under-graduates, for the occasional prodding so necessary to keep up dinners and smokers. Anyhow, we had gone over a period of more than two years without our accustomed dinner.

It was therefore with a revival of something of the old enthusiasm, that it was decided to accept the invitation of the Columbia boys, and thus make their annual dinner, one likewise of the Alumni.

The dinner was held at the Hotel Endicott, Friday,

January 12, 1894, at eight o'clock, evening.

The following autographs were appended to menu and toast list which was passed around the table: Philip C. Slaughter, Wisconsin, '59; David J. Greene, Columbia, '94; Francis A. Winslow, C. C., N. Y., '87; J. M. Mayer, Columbia, '86; Franklin B. Ware, Columbia, '94; T. H. Basker-ville, Columbia, '86; E. P. Callender, Columbia, '87; Brinton H. Miner, Columbia, '86; F. G. Zinsser, Columbia, '84; E. A. Darling, Cornell; D. L. Holbrook, Cornell; William A. Boyd, Columbia; Ernest Goldbacher, Columbia; E. N. Roeser, C. C., N. Y., '92; W. M. Stiles, Vermont, '84; F. G. Mason, C. C., N. Y., '86; R. L. Tarbox, Williams, '92, Columbia; E. G. Brown, Columbia, '93; Wm. S. Thyng, Columbia, '94; H. B. Mulliken, Michigan, '94, Columbia; H. F. Quackenbos, Richmond, Columbia; L. C. Adamson, Georgia, '82; Geo. P. Bryant, *Dartmouth, Columbia*, '95; H. H. Morrison, Columbia, '97; E. J. Riederer, Columbia; J. W. Scott, Centre, Columbia; E. R. Curry, Centre, Columbia; J. B. Clark, W. and F., '90; J. A. Matthews, W. and F., Columbia: F. S. Matthews, W. and F., Columbia: C. W. Baker, Vermont, '86; Dudley R. Horton, Cornell, '75; J. B. Shaw, Lafayette, '84; G. W. Roberts, Vermont, '84; C. T. Terry, Williams, '89; Charles A. Winter, Ohio State, '89, and J. E. Brown, Ohio Weslevan, '84.

It will not be necessary to expatiate upon the excellent and lengthy bill of fare which was presented to the diners, and to which they paid assiduous attention for some two hours, at the end of which time both physical capacity and a rap from the neighborhood of the President's chair called for a change in the order of exercises. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: F. G. Zinsser, Columbia, '86, President; J. B. Clark, W. and F., '90, Secretary; E. A. Darling, Cornell, Treasurer; E. P. Callender, Columbia, '87, Warden, and Chas. A. Winter,

Ohio State, '89, Reporter.

The retiring President, Brother Winslow, then turned the lines of authority into the hands of J. M. Mayer, most efficient as President of Alpha Province, but revelling in his excellence as Toastmaster at a Phi dinner. After remarks, witty and profound, worthy of the secent candidate for the honors of the Bench, Brother Mayer introduced the following list of toasts and speakers:

CARTE BLANCHE—Rev. Dr. J. B. Shaw, Lafayette.

NEW YORK ALPHA ALUMNI-F. A. Winslow, Esq., C. C. N. Y.

PHI DELTA THETA—THE SCROLL—Dr. J. E. Brown, Ohio Wesleyan. New York Delta—D. J. Greene, Columbia.

PROSPERITY IN FOREIGN PORTS—Dudley R. Horton, Esq., Cornell\_COLUMBIA—F. B. Ware, Columbia.

PHIS IN POLITICS-B. H. Miner, Columbia.

"CITY OF BROTHERLY LOVE "-T. H. Baskerville, Columbia.

Brother Shaw is a Phi worthy of the name, and his excellent address was well worth the trip for any to hear him. Hale, hearty, well met, a man among men, he is one of the ablest of the new generation of ministers in the Metropolis. His remarks opened with instances in his travels where he had been taken for banker, commercial traveler, lawyer, layman Episcopalian, and everything but the straight-laced Presbyterian divine that he was. It is to be hoped we can have him with us to regale the feast of reason at our next dinner. Brother J. E. Brown, of the SCROLL, had been in the city a few days on professional business and was pleased to be with the members on this occasion.

The speakers of the graduate and undergraduate ranks of the New York Delta dwelt upon the plans and prospects of the revived chapter. The strength of the chapter as yet lies in the professional schools. Plans are on foot looking to a representation in the school of art. With a membership in that department, similar in personnel to that now in the other schools, the Fraternity will be more closely identified with the movements at Columbia. With the removal of the College to Cathedral Heights will come a new era, in which fraternities and fraternity life will play a more real part than was possible heretofore.

Chas. A. Winter.

January 20, 1894.

## II.

### PHILADELPHIA.

More than a score of loyal Phi Alumni responded tothe call of a meeting of Pennsylvania Beta Alumni Chapter, which was held at the Phi Delta Theta House, 3,250 Chestnut Street, last Monday evening, and were amply repaid by a most enjoyable and enthusiastic meeting. The principal business on the calendar was the election

of officers for the ensuing year and to discuss the ways and means by which Philadelphia might be made the stronghold of Phi Delta Theta in the East. Milton H. Fehnel, Pennsylvania Eta, '87, was in the chair and opened the meeting with an address. The election of officers was then held and resulted as follows: dent, Charles A. Oliver, M. D., Pennsylvania Zeta, '77; Reporter and Historian, James Clark Moore, Jr., Pennsylvania Zeta, '93; Secretary and Treasurer, James Charles Ziegler, Pennsylvania Zeta, '91; Warden, John K. Horner, Pennsylvania Alpha, '84. The following Phis were elected to membership: Rev. Perry Allen, Ohio Delta, '73; Howard L. Dubois, Pennsylvania Eta, '93; Philip E. Howard and David Guy Anderson, Pennsylvania Zeta, '91; Walter I. Cooper, Edward B. Wilford, Walter Roberts and Henry Paul Busch, Pennsylvania Zeta, '93. The regular routine business was then transacted, the most important action being the appointment of the last Saturday night in each month as "Alumni night," when as many alumni as are able, intend to meet at the Chapter House for a social evening. A committee was appointed to arrange for a "Smoker," to be given to Pennsylvania Zeta Chapter by Pennsylvania Beta Alumni Chapter, sometime during February, also a committee to unite with a similar one from Pennsylvania Zeta, "to get up a rousing banquet" for Alumni Day, in honor of that occasion, and also to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the birth of Phi Delta Theta in Philadelphia.

Dr. Oliver announced that editor J. E. Brown, of the Scroll, was expected in this city. The chapter thereupon appointed a committe to arrange a reception to that distinguished Phi, and for entertainment during his sojourn. Subsequently it was learned, much to the disappointment of the chapter, that Dr. Brown would be unable to

come to Philadelphia.

With the addition of the above named Phis, Pennsylvania Beta Alumni Chapter now has over forty members. This is a very fair showing, but there is no reason it should not be nearer a hundred, as we feel certain there are that many Phis in Philadelphia, if they could only be found. It is therefore the earnest request of the chapter, that anyone knowing of any Phi Delta Thetas, at present in this city, or contemplating coming to the city, they would send the names to the Reporter at once.

JAMES MORTIMER WEST, JR.

Philadelphia, January 14th, 1894.

## THE OLD VIOLINIST.

Take down the old violin:

Full oft has it sung,
In the days when 'twas young,
Of the pleasures that once have been.

Now tis time-worn and tarnished sore;
But from its strings
A harmony springs
As never in days of yore.

My heart, too, is tarnished and worn, And the visions so bright That once flooded my sight Have vanished and left me forlorn.

But I know there's a harmony here;
And I know that the song
Still swells sweet and strong,
Though its air may be plaintive and drear.

So we'll sing the song that's within; And we'll utter our pain In melodious strain— My heart and my old violin.

KENT KNOWLTON, Dartmouth, '94.

In the Dartmouth Literary Monthly.

# EDITORIAL.

# Annual Alumni Day, March 15, 1894.

### DISCUSSION.

- What Article in his Student Creed does the Alumnus soonest Revise? Is it that Pertaining to his Fraternity?
- a. Is Phi Delta Theta an Aid to College Government? If so, how? If not, why?

THE sixth edition of the Catalogue is ready for distribution. Begun in March, 1888, it was finished in February, 1894, and is now ready to satisfy the want so emphatically felt by the chapters for the past several years. An extended review of the book, from the pen of Brother W. B. Palmer, appears in this number. Bro. Palmer, besides his wide knowledge in fraternity affairs generally, has had personal experience in catalogue editing, and is in good position to pass opinion upon the merits of the work done. We commend to the chapters and all Phis a careful perusal of his article. It presents a full statement of the many obstacles to be met with in catalogue work generally, and of the particularly knotty ones which the editors of our sixth edition had to overcome. The review is written from the standpoint of the editors, and that part of it which concerns these features. is a preface which should go with the book.

THE SCROLL has entertained some views in regard to plans and methods of work, at variance with those adopted by the editors, but these in no way affect the ability, energy and thoroughness which has characterized the work, and the book which is now given to the Fraternity, stands as a sufficient guarantee of the result of these arduous labors.

It ought not to be necessary to go into any argument here to show the value of this catalogue to the Fraterternity. The fact that so much thought, time and money has been invested in it is evidence of the fact that in its absence it was looked forward to-not as one of the things that the Fraternity must simply publish-but as the thing that must be in the hands of the undergraduates of every chapter, to enlighten and instruct them concerning Phi Delta Theta; to enable them through the knowledge gained of the membership and the geographical residence of the membership, to reap a fuller benefit of their associations in the Fraternity. Only the man who has been in possession of a recent edition of the catalogue of his Fraternity can appreciate all the valuable purposes it serves the member. A man does not have to be a fraternity enthusiast to get good use from the book. The most prosaic brother in the Fraternity will find in it data that will interest him from a fraternity standpoint, and what is more, that which will be of value to him in the business relations which he must assume after leaving college.

To the chapters as chapters the work is of incomparable value. It gives the members data on which to do the most effective and intelligent work in soliciting those who have been invited to become Phis, and put into the hands of these men, the book of itself will in many cases be all the argument that is needed to win the favorable decision.

Then, finally, there is the obligation which the chapters owe the enterprise. The chapters demanded and authorized the book. This was right. It is now their duty to see that their members meet the obligation assumed, and by purchasing, meet the expenses of publication. A copy ought to be in the hands of every active member of the Fraternity. It is a book that will be extremely valuable to the members for a decade of years, and of interest for as many more. The price put upon it is no more than for printing and binding. Those who have

paid the regular tax levied on initiates, will receive the book on payment of one dollar and fifty cents additional. We want to hear that for every active member of our chapters there is one copy of the catalogue. Anything short of that is failure in duty.

A LARGE portion of the alumni of the Fraternity have been interested in the complication of the volume, and a considerable number of these are subscribers for it. These subscriptions are now due, and others who have desired the book should send in their orders to the editors. All of those who paid the One Dollar tax while in college can have the same credited on the purchase price. To no one is the book of more benefit than the recent graduate who is just forming business acquaintances and ties, to the one who seeks a location in business, and to him whose business takes him from place to place. All will find it a good book to have. Finally as an indorsement of the progressive spirit of the Fraternity in getting out such a volume, every one who can do so, should lend it his financial assistance to the extent of a subscription.

The price of the catalogue (edition bound in cloth) is three dollars. Copies bound in half-morocco can be had for four dollars, and in full morocco, for five dollars. Eastern territory send orders to E. H. L. Randolph, P. O. Box 1398, New York, N. Y. Western territory to Frank D. Swope, P. O. Box 440, Louisville, Ky.

A FEW years ago at the suggestion of the officers of the Fraternity, the firm of Lockwood and Coombes undertook the production of a steel plate for the use of Phi Delta Theta chapters in college annuals. We do not hesitate to say that this plate is one of the best ever produced for any Fraternity. The work is the finest of hand engraving and in symbolism should stand in rank with our official coat-of-arms. We feel that it is a design that ought to be used and prized more by the chapters. The year it was produced it was most highly spoken of where used. One collegiate publication in speaking of the meaningless cuts and designs multiplying among clubs and chapters referred to this plate as the most dignified, chaste and symbolical design that had ever appeared among fraternity designs. This plate is now in the possession of Richard B. Lockwood, 77 Chambers street, New York, N. Y., and we would again call the attention of chapters to the same, and to its desirability for use in college annuals, on programs and elsewhere. Its use should be second only to that of our official Coat-of-arms.

THE General Council has under advisement at this time the selection of a date for our recently postponed National Convention. Practically the decision narrows down to spring and fall, sometime between April 20th and May 10th if held this spring, and if not then, to go over until October at date originally planned for. Good arguments have been presented in favor of both, and we are not able at this time to say what the decision will be. If in favor of the early date the chapters will be duly informed of the same by circular letter, and announcements in the April Scroll.

THE SCROLL has not been favored with as many college papers from the various chapters this year, as has been usually the case. We would remind reporters that they are a source from which we can secure many interesting alumni items, and these are always in demand. These we desire in special full measure for the April issue which will be our regular alumni number.

THE reporters of chapters where the College Annual for 1893-94 has already been issued, will confer a favor by remembering that these are desired for the next regular review of Annuals.

# CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

## ALPHA PROVINCE.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY UNIVERSITY.

Colby is the banner college of Maine in the University extension movement in the State. Professor Mathews of the History Department especially being in demand. Professor Roberts of the English Department, and Dr. Marywordt, instructor in Modern Languages also have many engagements.

The chapter has lost one member from '95, Bro. Jackson, who has gone to Dartmouth to finish his course. In losing Jackson the base ball association is deprived of a valuable man at short; it will be hard work to fill his place this season. The chapter was represented on the Senior Exhibition by Bro. Kinney and Lynch, two of the four speakers. We were very successful and fortunate in our new initiates; they are all popular in their class and promise to be prominent men in college.

Yours in the Bond,

J. S. Lynch.

Waterville, January 13, 1894.

## VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

We are just on the verge of the mid-year examinations which begin February 1st, and the doors of the dormitories are covered with notices that "we are plugging and don't admit callers."

Capt. H. E. Tutherley, 1st Cavalry U. S. A., has succeeded Capt. Foster as professor of military science and tactics. He has formed the students into five companies and a band. The following Phis hold positions as officers: Quartermaster, 1st Lieutenant E. G. Spaulding; Signal Officer, 1st Lieutenant F. L. Dunham; Quartermaster Sergeant, C. W. Doten: 3rd Lieutenants, J. W. Avery and E. G. Blessing; Sergeant, W. F. Daggett; Corporal, A. B. Cutter.

The prospects for our base ball team for the coming season are very bright. Our team won new laurels and much praise at Chicago last summer, even if they did not win the series. The candidates for the team will go into training soon after the mid-year examinations. Vermont Alpha has lost all of her old players on the team but will have one or two new candidates for positions this year.

The Glee and Banjo Clubs will give their home concert January 17. Vermont Alpha is represented on the Glee Club by Bro. Lincoln, '97. Bro. Doten, '95, injured his knee during the past summer and has been laid up since. Finally it was decided necessary to perform an operation and he was taken to the hospital today. Of the brothers who graduated last June, Bro. Wiswell is teaching in the Georgia Academy this winter, but expects to return to work for the Berlin Bridge Company, with whom he has been during the summer, as soon as business improves. Bro. Stewart is at the Harvard Law School, and Bros. Kilbourn and Pratt are at the Union Theological Seminary, New York City.

Yours in the Bond,

Burlington, January 11, 1894.

GEO. H. DALRYMPLE.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

On January 9, Alexander Elting Rosa, '97, of Milford, Delaware, was initiated into the chapter. Bro. Fiske, '95, has received an election to the editorial board of *The Student*, and Bro. Wood, '96, has become a member of the Banjo Club. On December 14, the '95 Olio, the college annual, was issued; the chapter was represented on its editorial board. During the present term comes the Junior Promenade. Aside from this there will but little take place worthy of note.

Massachusetts Beta wishes to the whole Fraternity a Happy New Year.

Yours in Phi Delta Theta,

Amherst, January 10, 1894.

CHAS. AMOS ANDREWS.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Since the last chapter letter we have initiated one whom we are proud to introduce to the general Fraternity, Bro. William Buxton Newton, of Yarmouth, Maine. Through affiliation we were glad to receive Bro. George Frederick Gebhardt of Illinois Delta, Knox College, whose musical talents are much appreciated.

Beginning with this term, the University will have no more final examinations, but will try the plan of running the recitations into the usual examination week, and leaving it to each professor or instructor to give his marks as he sees fit.

On the Campus are to be seen, just about complete, two large additions to the numerous buildings, in shape of the new Department of Agriculture, and an addition to Sibley, making it twice as

large as formerly. Toward the end of last term we were tendered a most enjoyable reception by Professor and Mrs. Emerson, at their residence. A few days before the holidays we were delighted by the favor of a visit from Bro. Wells S. Gilbert of Duluth, Minnesota, and Bro. F. A. Johnson of Albany, N. Y.

Yours in the Bond, M. A. SEWARD.

Ithaca, January 10, 1894.

## New York Delta, Columbia College.

This year Columbia opened with a larger Freshman (Mines) class than for some years past; over 120 names appear on the roll of that class. The School of Arts is a little under the average, and physicians and surgeons are quite some over the average. Only a few weeks after college opened we initiated H. H. Morrison, '97, School of Mines, and in him we are justly proud. Bro. McCormack of Virginia Beta affiliated with us some time ago: he is taking a course in the college of Physicians and Surgeons. Before our next letter we hope to have four more names adorn the roll of our chapter. Through graduation we lost some of our best men, Bros. Charles T. Terry, an honor man in the School of Law, Samuel W. Dunscombe. Jr., John Edward Roeser, all from the Law School. Bro. Frank S. Matthews, M. D., graduated from Physicians and Surgeons, and is now assistant house surgeon, on the medical staff of Roosevelt Hospital in New York.

In the Inter-collegiate class tournament held in this city during the holidays by representatives of Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton, Columbia was again victorious, her representative, Bro. Libaire winning the decisive game.

On the evening of January 12, 1894, thirty-nine members of the Fraternity were seated, to again enjoy a dinner with Bro. Phis, there having been no Phi dinner in New York since 1891. The movement was started by the undergraduates of New York Delta, and when the President of the New York Alpha Alumni Chapter heard of it, he thought it advisable to have the alumni dinner in conjunction with New York Delta's. The dinner was served at the Hotel Endicott. at 8 P. M. Amomg some of the Phis present were Bros. P. S. Slaughter, Wisconsin A, '59; Dr. L. C Adamson, Georgia A, '82: F. S. Mason, New York Γ, '84; Ed Darling, New York A, '90: Julius Mayer, New York Δ, '86; Francis Winslow, New York Γ, '87. In all, fifteen colleges and eleven states were represented at the din-

ner. The greatest pleasure was afforded to us by the presence of the editor of The Scroll, Dr. J. E. Brown of Columbus, Ohio.

The toastmaster, Brother Mayer, introduced the speakers of the evening in a felicitous way, and a good time was had about the board listening to anecdotes and good advice. The hands of the clock pointed to the hour one when the reunion broke up, the pleasantest occasion for New York Phis for some time past.

Yours in the Bond,

New York, January 16, 1894.

E. J. RIEDERER.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

The opening week of the winter session found all of the active chapter returned, together with Bro. Geo. O'Bryon, who enters up and will graduate with the class of '96. On the opening day, the student body were met with the announcement that Dr. James R. Day, D. D., L. L. D., of New York City, had formally accepted the chancellorship, to which he had been elected by the Board of Trustees some time before. Dr. Day is a young man of varied attainments, and comes to Syracuse with a successful and creditable record behind him. His selection meets the approval of the students and the friends of the University.

Last Wednesday evening we received the Beta Tau Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma at an informal reception at the Chapter House. Games, dancing, etc., together with the presence of our fair guests, made the evening pass very pleasantly. In college affairs, Bro. Schenck was elected Historian of the Junior class, and Bro. Baskerville is associate editor on the *Onondagan* Board. He will also represent the Athenian Literary Society as leader in a debate at the public contest, with the Lowell Society, February 14. Afternoon recitations for all departments were introduced at the beginning of this term, this being quite an innovation at Syracuse. The athletic team is practicing daily in the gymnasium, and we expect to win the pennant of the Inter-collegiate Association this year, as we did last.

Yours in Phi Delta Theta,

Syracuse, January 20, '94.

G. H. BASKERVILLE.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Shortly after the date of our last letter, Capt. Aiken resigned from our foot ball team on account of ill health, and Bro. Linn was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy. He filled the position of Capt. so well that he was re-elected for the season of '94.

We finally took possession of our new rooms just before the close of the fall term, but didn't get them entirely furnished until the beginning of this term. We have two connecting rooms on the third floor in the finest building in town. We have with them all conveniencies that are generally enjoyed by the occupants of large city buildings.

On Monday, December 4, 1893, Pennsylvania Gamma held her annual banquet in honor of her eighteenth birthday. This has become an established custom with us, and this date is always looked forward to by the boys. This year, owing to our being without rooms, we did not have the attendance that we desired, none but our local chapter being present. Our feast was spread in the large dining room of Hotel Allison, and after a good social time in the parlors, we repaired to the hotel to attend to the inner man. After the substantials, Bro. McCrea called for some impromptu toasts. Sterrett spoke on "The Girls We Don't Know"; Bro. Eicher, "The Girls We Do Know"; Bro. Haskell, "Riding the Goat"; Bro. Reynolds, "Side Issues"; Bro. Ryall, "Benefits to Us of Phi Delta Theta." After spending a very pleasant evening we assembled in front of the hotel, and after making the town ring to "Rah! Rah! Rah! Phi-kei-a, Phi Delta Theta, Rah! Rah! Rah! we declared the eighth annual banquet as past.

Yours in the Bond,

GEORGE M. RYALL.

Washington, Pa., January 4, 1894.

# PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Memorial exercises were held for Dr. Alexander Martin at the regular chapel time, Saturday, January 6. Dr. Martin was for nine years a professor here and later President of DePauw University. Addresses were made by Dr. Jonathan Hamnet, J. B. Compton, Esq., and Hon. Jno. J. Henderson.

Much interest is already being manifest in athletics. Although we had a strong foot ball team last year, we are not satisfied with its work and are planning for big things for the coming season. A committee from the Faculty and students has been appointed and is negotiating for Island Park, where it is expected to enclose new athtetic grounds, erect grand stands, etc.

Thanksgiving Eve we gave a reception and banquet to our lady friends. Several of the old boys were back, and neither pains nor expense were spared in making it the foremost social event of the season. The first part of the evening was spent in our parlors. About ten o'clock we went in carriages to the Budd House, where the banquet was served. The tables were arranged in the form of a Greek cross and filled with all the good things of Thanksgiving season. Seven courses were served and about three hours were spent at the table, closing with "Rolling Home."

Bro. Tipper, who was preaching at Oakmont, Pa., during the fall term, is with us in college again.

Bro. Stilson spent the vacation here making up some college work. He will be back to take the final examination and graduate in June. Philo Franklin Literary Society has elected him for the Inter-Society orator.

We have just pledged W. J. Ellis, of Sewickley, Pa. He will make Freshman by the close of this year and we believe will make a worthy Phi.

Yours in the Bond,

ARTHUR STAPLES.

Meadville, January 12, 1894.

## PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Our banquet to our new members was held early in November, and was an enjoyable event. H. M. Stephens, '92, now a professor in the College, was Toastmaster. The following toasts were given: "Pennsylvania Epsilon," Walter G. McNeil, '94: "Our Alumni," Henry F. Whiting, '89; "Phis in Athletics," C. G. Cleaver, '94; "Phis Politically," Harry F. Matter, '95; "The Sword and the Shield," J. Frey Gilroy, '95; "Phi Girls," C. L. Earp, '95, and "The New Brother's Idea of Phidom," Walter G. Souders, '97. Some of our favorite songs were sung in response to the happy things said by these brothers. And then before we parted we sang, while we clasped hands around the festive board, several verses of our parting hymn.

Sad news has come to the chapter concerning an old member. On the tenth of January, Brother Henry N. Cheeseman, '83, who had been for seven years a successful and popular preacher in Camden, N. J., met death by drowning. The Fraternity mourns the loss of this, one of the charter members of the chapter.

Brother J. Frey Gilroy, '95, is an editor of the *Microcosm*, the college annual, and Brother C. L. Earp, '95, is assistant instructor in the Gymnasium. Brother Henry F. Whiting, '89, has accepted the position of assistant professor in Latin in the College.

Yours in the Bond,

Carlisle, Pa., January 15, 1894.

WALTER G. McNeil.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

On December 8, 1893, Pennsylvania Zeta gave her annual dance at the Chapter House. It was one of the most pleasant and successful dances yet given. One very noticeable and charming feature of all these dances is the large number of sisters of Phis present. It is a high recommendation of the thoughtfulness of Phis for their sisters.

Phis at Old Pennsylvania are receiving many of the honors now being bestowed. On a committee of three representing the whole University, to arrange a debating league with Cornell, there were two Phis—Brothers Maloney and Codman. There is a representation of one or two Phis on all the prominent class committees, and on several of the University committees. Your correspondent has been chosen as Presentor for Class Day. Brothers Atmore Miller and Murtagh are in the Mask and Wig. The club is hard at work practicing its new play—"King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table." Bro. Hollingshead has entered for the 'Varsity crew and will very likely secure his old place.

On January 8, Pennsylvania Beta Alumni held a meeting at the Chapter House. It was a real, old Phi gathering and was greatly enjoyed.

Since our last letter we have been pleased to entertain Phi brothers from other chapters. During the Thanksgiving holidays we received a visit from Bro. Lantz, of Pennsylvania College, and a little later we had a call from Bro. Peffer, of Pennsylvania Delta.

Bro. Terashima, our member from Japan, was called home in the fall of '92, by the sickness of his father. In the spring of '93, he returned to college, but was again called home by the sudden death of his father. His presence was required by the customs of the country for the descent of the title. He is now Count Terashima. Bro. Matsumota, another member from Japan, returned home on a visit for the vacation, but did not return in the fall. We have lately received word that both of these brothers will return to college this spring. Pennsylvania Zeta will be glad to once again welcome these absent brothers.

We hope in our next letter to introduce several new brothers to the Phi world.

Yours in the Bond.

GEORGE DOUGLASS CODMAN.

Philadelphia, January 16, 1894.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, THE LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have taken possession of our chapter house at the corner of Cherokee and Fourth Streets. The house is all we could want and the location is one of the best in South Bethlehem. It is handsomely furnished and the chapter appreciates the good work of its alumni and especially of Bro. Eavenson.

In October we enjoyed a visit from Bro. Straub, '90, who was on a business trip and spent Saturday and Sunday with us. Later on, in December, we also had a visit from Bro. Van Mater and Bro. Stratford of New York Alpha.

Our Glee and Banjo Clubs have also had a better season than ever before. Concerts were given in Harrisburg, York and Chester, Pa., and in Washington, D. C., Baltimore and Elkton, Md. There are two Phis on the clubs. In Washington we were met by Bros. Edson, Barnard, Douglas and DuBarry, and were entertained during our stay at the home of Bro. DuBarry. The trip was a great success financially as well as otherwise.

We hope to see Bro. Douglass back with us this term. We are glad to introduce another Phi, William Morris Greenwood, of Bethlehem, Pa. We expect in our next letter to be able to present another.

Yours in the Bond,

F. D. HALLOCK.

South Bethlehem, Jan. 11, 1894.

#### BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

The close of the season of '93 found Virginia Gamma still winning college honors. Not to mention distinctions in class work, the highest honor in Oratory, the Sutherlin Medal, was fairly won in public contest by Bro. J. D. Langley. At the opening of the session of '93-4 our prospects were bright. Six of last year's men returned: Battin, Boyle, E. R., Boyle, W. V., Evans, Langley and Talbott. These, with Sledd of year before last, constituted our chapter at the beginning of the term. In numerical strength we were surpassed by but one of our sister fraternities,  $\phi$  K  $\Sigma$ , which returned 9 men. The others returned respectively—K A, 3; K  $\Sigma$ , 3;  $\Sigma$  X, 5. Besides these, A T  $\Omega$  has one representative among us. B  $\Theta$  II having had its charter withdrawn on account of all its members having left College, and  $\phi$   $\Theta$   $\psi$  having voluntarily resigned its charter for reasons best

known to itself, our fraternity world has come to include only the five chapters mentioned above and our own. But three,  $K \Sigma$ ,  $\Sigma X$  and  $\Phi K \Sigma$ , have increased their numbers since the beginning of the session.  $K \Sigma$  initiated 3,  $\Sigma X$ , 5 and  $\Phi K \Sigma$ , 4 new men.

We, for our part, have not offered the hand of brotherhood in the Bond of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  to any, partly because of our desire to keep our standdard high, partly because of the great disadvantage under which we have labored in having, during nearly the entire time since college opened, one or more of our men necessarily absent. Now, howeverr all are on hand, except Bro. E. R. Boyle, who will return at the beginning of the Spring term, and we are greatly in hope that we may soon be able to report an increase in our numbers.

Yours in the Bond.

Ashland, Jan. 12, 1894.

ANDREW SLEDD.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

It was feared that the financial stringency would decrease the number in attendance at the University this year, but at the present time the number is as large as usual.

Our foot ball team this session was possibly the weakest put into the field by this institution since the adoption of the Rugby method of play, and after losing two out of the three games played was finally disbanded. Our weakness was made only the more apparent by the strength of our neighbors the Virginia Military Institute.

Until the 25th of last November the V. M. I. held the proud record of an unbroken line of victories for the past three years, but on that day was compelled to lower its colors to the superior weight and training of the University of Virginia.

During the season we had the pleasure of meeting Bro. Eugene Denson of North Carolina Beta, who, in the game with Washington and Lee, made four forty yard runs, each of which resulted in a touch down. On the 23d of October we saw Bro. Percy Bosher distinguish himself in the game between Richmond College and the V. M. I. On the memorable 25th of November we were enabled to give the grip to Bros. Whiting, Johnson, Inman, Groner and Saunders of Virginia Beta.

The continued interest and loyalty of our alumni was shown by the pleasant evening which we spent at the home of Bro. Campbell.

Our number has been increased to seven by the return of Bro-Walker. Yours in the Bond,

R. J. McBryde, Jr.

Lexington, Jan. 8, 1894.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

It is with pleasure that I report that North Carolina Beta is again ready to send greetings to the brothers throughout the Fraternity. Success has met the efforts of Bro. Headen and myself to build up the chapter, and we take pleasure in reporting the initiation of four new men—Bros. Merritt, Ihril, Buxton and Harding. All these men stand high in University and student circles and will be an honor to the Fraternity here as elsewhere.

Most of the chapters know of the low condition of affairs with North Carolina Beta for the past several years. Established in 1885 when there were few chapters in the University it was composed of excellent men and took high rank. During the years since its establishment chapters have multiplied rapidly, so that where formerly chapters took abundant leisure in selecting men, now there is a grand rush at the opening of the fall term. North Carolina Beta endeavored to hold to her old conservative methods, depending upon men known before entering college, or awaiting developments later. was that our numbers ran down and with that came loss in enthusiasm. Last year we opened with but two men. Five were added, but of these only one returned this college year, and the outlook was gloomy. However a plan of upbuilding as suggested by Bro. Brown, of THE SCROLL and our Province President, Bro. F. S. Ball, was determined upon, and with the aid of Bro. W. E. Headen, a worthy resident alumnus, we are able to report the initiation of the above members. We are working strongly together and feel perfectly safe in predicting, not only other additions to our numbers, but that a prosperous future is immediately before our chapter once more. It means hard work, but that we are willing to give, and with the high reputation which the name of Phi Delta Theta has always borne in the University we expect to regain the position held a few years since—in numbers, enthusiasm and worth. Yours in the Bond,

EUGENE G. DENSON.

Chapel Hill, Jan. 25, 1894.

## KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

On November 18th our foot ball team was victorious in a game with Centre College. This makes the second time that Central University has won the championship of the Inter-Collegiate League in the two years of its existence.

On the evening of December 21, Miss Julia Higgins, one of Richmond's fairest ladies and a wearer of the sword and shield entertained

the chapter. The evening was spent most delightfully and will long be remembered by those present.

All the members of the chapter but Bro. Trueheart Taylor returned after the holidays. Bro. Taylor will probably enter the medical department at Louisville. The chapter loses in him one of its most enthusiastic members.

Yours in the Bond,

S. H. CAROTHERS.

Richmond, Jan. 11, 1894.

## GAMMA PROVINCE.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

The season closing the first Saturday in December had been by far the most successful in foot ball we have yet had. Our team won six out of seven games, scoring 181 points to our opponent's 50, and not being scored against on our own grounds. The greatest game ever played in this city was that with Sewanee on Thanksgiving Day. There were about 3,000 spectators present, more than twice the attendance of any previous game, the majority of whom were much pleased to see Vanderbilt win by a score of 10 to 0. By defeating the Central University eleven, who held the championship of Kentucky, Vanderbilt made herself champion of that state and Tennessee.

Since our last communication we have had our number increased to twenty-seven by the initiation of Bro. Hill McAllister, '97, of Nashville, whom we take pleasure in introducing to you as one possessing all the qualifications of a model Phi.

Bro. C. P. Williams, '95, has been elected by the Faculty as treasurer of West Side Club, a position of great responsibility, involving the handling of large sums of money. This office has for the last four years been held by Bro. A. P. Crockett, '94.

Our Chapter House is a source of much pleasure, and we can hardly see how we did without it so long. It has the effect of holding the chapter closer together and promoting that *esprit du corps* which is so beneficial to all organizations.

The fraternities have been very slow in taking any action in reference to the publication of the *Comet*. Very few of the editors have been elected and consequently no work has been done.

Yours in the Bond,

HENRY J. LIVINGSTON, JR.

Nashville, Jan. 10, 1894.

## ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Since our last letter Alabama Alpha has initiated into the mysteries of Phi Delta Theta, James Syd Stillman, '96. Bro. William B. Moore, '96, has left the university.

Alabama University will have a strong base ball team this session, and will play all the leading colleges of the South. The make-up of the team is not known yet, but it is certain that Bro. Morrow will pitch again. Bro. Lyons, '94, is manager of the team.

We have recently changed our monthly magazine to a weekly paper. Two Phis are on the Board—Bros. Burgett and the reporter. In the selection of class officers, the Phis received their full share.

Yours in the Bond,

EDWARD W. FAITH.

University of Alabama, Jan. 14, 1894.

## ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Sometime has intervened since we last appeared with a letter in the SCROLL, but this is no indication that the star of Alabama Beta is on the wane. Our chapter is in as flourishing a condition as ever.

During the year '92-'93 an exceptionally large number of honors fell to the lot of Phi Delta Theta. The senior office of the senior class in the military department, as well as that of the junior, was held by members of our chapter. The Sophomore medal for declamation was awarded to Bro. Peevey, May 2, 1893.

On the honor list we were far above par, two out of four of the honor graduates being Phis. Three of our four seniors are back this year as tutors, and the other is also back taking a post-graduate course. So we lost none by graduation. Let our brothers of '94 emulate those of '93.

During the present collegiate year we have initiated seven members into the mysteries and benefits of  $\phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$ . They are Bros. Clower, Morrisette, Oglesby, and Burton of '96, Nelson and Elmore of '97, and Rilling, special, all of whom are worthily and meritoriously wearing the sword and shield. On the college foot ball team which defeated Vanderbilt, Sewanee and Tuscaloosa, we were well represented by Brothers Riggs, manager and left end: Smith, left end, and Dunham, quarter back.

We are sorry to say that four of our men were unable to return after Xmas. They were all diligent students and zealous Greeks. We feel their loss deeply.

We now have a membership of twenty-one men, all working hard to do credit to themselves and reflect honor upon the Fraternity. They all love the SCROLL and are always eager and impatient for its arrival. With best wishes for Phis everywhere, we are,

Yours in the Bond,

Auburn, Jan. 14, 1894.

P. P. McKeown.

## **DELTA PROVINCE.**

TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

The beginning of the session of '93-'94 found  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  represented in the University of Texas by only four men—T. J. Lee, F. L. Montgomery, John C. Robertson and your reporter, all seniors. Our number has since been increased by the addition of Brothers Williamson of Waco, also a senior, and Bramlette of Dallas, a freshman. On the night we initiated these brothers we had with us Bro. Pace, an old Alabama Phi; Bro. Shelton of Missouri A and Bro. Fontaine of Texas B. Unless our chapter succeeds in leading other noble barbarians into the blaze of Grecian light, we fear it will be slimly represented as regards numbers next session. However, we hope to have the pleasure of introducing two or three others to the "festive goat" ere long.

The membership of other fraternities in the University is as follows:  $K \Sigma, 21$ ;  $\Sigma N, 13$ ;  $B \Theta \Pi, 13$ ; K A, 11;  $X \Phi, 7$ ;  $\Sigma A E, 6$ ;  $\Sigma X, 5$ .

On the Annual staff  $\phi \Delta \theta$  is well represented. Bro. Robertson being one of the editors and Bro. Lee one of the business managers. Again, for the first time in the history of the University, so far as we know, the various classes are thoroughly organized.

In athletics, the interest has been much superior to that of previous years at the same time. On Thanksgiving day our eleven defeated the Dallas team by a score of 18 to 16, and on December 16 beat San Antonio by a score of 30 to 0.

There have been several changes in our Faculty since last session. Dr. Battle of North Carolina now occupies the Chair of Greek in place of Prof. Fowler. In the Law Department, Gov. Roberts has been succeeded by Judge Miller of Dallas, an old Harvard man, while the Law Faculty has been increased by the addition of Prof. Batts, a former student of the University.

Success to the SCROLL and grand brotherhood of Phis.

Yours in the Bond,

GEORGE W. HAMLETT, JR...

Austin, Jan, 7, 1894.

# EPSILON PROVINCE.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Alpha now has a strong, congenial and active membership of ten men—true brothers in the bond. The new year finds us housed in our new quarters. We have a suite of four handsome and well appointed rooms in the Horner Block, which is a prominent and excellent location. The furnishing will soon be completed and then the new apartments will be dedicated by a grand reception and a dance, which will occur within the next few days and to which we and our friends are looking forward to with a great deal of pleasure.

Ohio Alpha has as fair and loyal a lot of Phi girls as ever wore and gloried in the white and blue. Their presence would grace any occasion and their aid may be counted on in any emergency.

Our new quarters are worthy of our pride. The chapter room is 27 x 30, and is in front. It is a beautiful room and exactly suited in every way to the use to which it will be put. Back of it is a large and handsome banquet and dance hall, and back of this are the paraphernalia room and the kitchen. The outer door opens into a lobby from which each of the other rooms may be entered. The whole suite has been newly and handsomely finished and papered, for which our thanks are due to kind friends. Ohio Alpha has taken quite a stride in prosperity, and a great deal of the credit is due to our loyal alumni. Our next efforts will be directed toward a new set of paraphernalia.

We are soon to lose a most loyal and popular brother from our midst. Brother Charles Potter has determined to leave the University to take advantage of an excellent business opportunity that is open to him. He will be located at New Orleans and will leave here on January 20. We deeply and sincerely deplore Brother Potter's departure. He is a splendid fellow and he has Phi Delta Theta near his heart. His loss to Ohio Alpha will be hard to repair. With him he takes our warmest fraternal love and we retain the fondest memories of his fidelity and good fellowship.

Fraternally,

THOMAS D. TEMPLE.

Oxford, Jan. 9, 1894.

## OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

During the latter part of the Fall Term we added to our list of pledged men R. G. Hooper, of Chicago, Ill. Within the last week we have invited N. E. Thomas, a resident of this city and a member of the Freshman class, to become a brother Phi, and he will be initiated next Thursday. We are sure that these men will be valuable additions to the chapter.

Bro. E. L. Whitney was elected Valedictorian for the joint Annual of the gentlemen's Literary Societies. At the oratorical contest which occurred on the 17th of December, F. J. McConnell, Delta Tau Delta, took first honors, and Bro. A. Webb, of our own chapter, received second place. Bro. R. C. Gasser is president of the State Oratorical Association and will occupy the chair at the State contest to be held in Alliance during February.

The ninth Pan-Hellenic banquet was held in Hotel Donavin on the night of January 19. The occasion was full of mirth and good feeling. No pains nor expense had been spared and the happy outcome fully warranted the outlay. Each fraternity was represented by a toast. B. F. Mull, of Phi Delta Theta, spoke first. His subject was, "Pan-Hellenic Spirit, Real and Ideal." He gave a rather discouraging picture of the real spirit and followed with a glowing description of the possible. The toasts ended, the whole party took a tour to the Seminary, and after a noisy serenade, disbanded.

The annual Junior election of a *Transcript* corps and a lecture committee was held last Saturday, January 20. Five of the fraternities combined with the non-frats and succeeded in electing a non-frat ticket. By means of thus surrendering their fraternity character the Betas managed to get one man and the Sigma Alphs one on a corps of twenty-one. Such is the spirit that Bro. Mull deprecated in his toast.

S. A. KEEN, JR.

Delaware, Jan. 22, 1894.

#### OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

Since our last communication another name, that of George C. Bauer, of Surryville, has been added to the bond of Phi Delta Theta. Bro. Koons is again with us after an absence of one term, and our chapter now numbers fifteen.

Bros. Webb and Gasser of Ohio Beta were here a day or two before the holidays in the interest of the State Oratorical Association. While here they spent an evening with our members in the hall and made some very interesting remarks. On the local contest Ohio Gamma will be represented by Bro. McCaughey.

The chapter is to give a party in the near future. It will no doubt be a swell affair, as guaranteed by the character of those who are associated with us in arranging for it.

Yours in the Bond,

J. W. BOTHWELL.

Athens, Jan. 9, 1894.

## INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

The new year opens auspiciously for Indiana University. Her already unprecedented attendance has been augmented by the enrollment of thirty-one new students for the winter term. A three months' test of President Swain has shown him in every way worthy of the esteem and confidence he has so completely won.

In the Inter-Collegiate Debate with De Pauw, Indiana University more than maintained her own, and although no judges were appointed, the excellence of our debaters is quite generally conceded.

Our Law School is unusually prosperous. There are at present about sixty enrolled. In the recent Senior class election, Phi Delta Theta received very gratifying recognition. Bro. Lewis Taylor was chosen President, while Bro. Davis was very fitly named as Class Orator.

The condition of Indiana Alpha is sound and healthy. At present we number twenty-two active members. Since our last letter we have been diligent and gathered three other talents. We are glad to introduce Brothers Trook, Wiley and Herkless as true and loyal Phis. Bro. Horner McGinnis, who has been visiting in Iowa, has returned. We all sympathize deeply with Bro. Fortune in the loss of his mother, but are very glad to welcome him back among us.

It was recently our pleasure to meet and entertain Bro. Harry Daniel, of The Rivals Dramatic Company. We found him to be possessed of the true spirit, and to be an entertaining and genial gentleman.

Fraternally yours,

ISHAM TAYLOR.

Bloomington, January 13, 1894.

#### INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

The opening of the second term of college finds Indiana Beta with a chapter roll of eleven, and with three pledged men wearing our colors. We have inaugurated a system of literary exercises and are doing all in our power to make our meetings most attractive. We are striving not only for individual improvement, but for a higher development of love for Phi Delta Theta.

During the holidays we had a visit from our dear friend and brother, Wilbur C. Abbott, of New York Alpha, on his way home for the vacation. Also Bro. Edwin McNutt, who is attending a theological school at Chicago, gave us a call.

We are always glad to see members of our sister chapters and extend to them a hearty welcome. Beta chapter wishes a prosperous and happy "new year" to the Phis everywhere.

Yours in the Bond,

C. CLAUD TRAVIS.

Crawfordsville, January 12, 1894.

## INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

For a long time, with periodical bursts of enthusiasm, we have discussed chapter house and frat. hall. It is only within a very recent period, however, that anything of a more enduring nature than mere talk has resulted. We have at last leased a very commodious hall and will soon have it furnished to receive our friends. Since our last letter we have been fortunate in securing two splendid men. We are pleased to introduce Bro. Robt. Moorhead, '96, and Bro. Thos. Shipp, '97. Preparations for a Pan-hellenic reception are being made, and all parties are harmoniously working to make it a splendid success.

At a recent meeting of the Athletic Association, Bro. Baker was elected Manager and Captain of the Field and Track Team.

It is with a deep sense of loss that we record the death of Bro. A. A. Williams, '92. Yours in the Bond,

CHAS. E. BAKER.

Irvington, Indiana, January 30, 1894.

## INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

We regret very much to chronicle the loss of Bro. H. S. Snyder, who will be absent a year. With this exception, we have a full membership, nine in number, and three pledged men, excellent material for the June goat.

In the Union Literary Society we are represented by Bro. D. M. Bridges, President, and Declaimer on the Contest between the two societies.

During the middle of December our chapter was the recipient of a call from an old member, Bro. Butler, Professor of Ornithology in Indiana University, and a leading authority on this subject in the country. His talk plainly showed that his love for the Fraternity had not abated, although so many years have elapsed since his college days. It is one of the most delightful pleasures of college life to have those who have gone out long before, to return and relate the incidents in vogue during their time and mingle with those whom they can feel assured are bound by similar fraternity ties.

Fraternally yours,

W. B. SNYDER.

Hanover, January 8, 1894.

PURDUE BRANCH, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

The excitement of the foot ball season is over, the holidays have flitted by, and now the quietude of diligence reigns supreme. Through all, our chapter has been most prosperous. Since our last report we have added to our list of pledged men the name of another very promising man. Numerically with our sister fraternities we stand, Phi Delta Theta, fifteen; Sigma Chi, fifteen; Kappa Sigma, fourteen; Sigma Nu, twelve, and Sigma Alpha Epsilon, ten. Of our men, five are Seniors, five are Juniors, and five are Sophomores. We are not permitted to initiate Freshmen. We have, however, two pledged men in the Freshman class, Warren Moore of this city, and L. G. Raymond of Peru, Indiana. Bro. Brown has been lately elected manager of our base ball team. Purdue still holds the foot ball championship of Indiana, this making the third year. With another years triumph the contested silver cup will be hers. In base ball she has never made such a brilliant record.

Yours fraternally,

JOHN P. NEFF.

LaFayette, January 8, 1894.

#### ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

During the term ending December 18, our chapter initiated four good men. One more of the same character has been pledged for future contact with our "Joseph" goat. The term was a very prosperous one for the chapter, and progress is still our watchword.

Bro. C. D. Reimers has placed in our reception room a valuable collection of books from the best English and American authors.

Bro. Isaac R. Hitt, Jr., '88, has spent several evenings with us and given us many valuable hints regarding chapter interests. Bro. A. B. Hitt, ex-'88, visited us during the holidays. Invitation has been received and accepted by members of the chapter, and their lady friends, to spend an evening at the very elegant home of Mrs. Ely, Sherman avenue. Arrangements are being made for a joint debate between Northwestern and Chicago Universities.

Yours in the Bond,

DANIEL D. CANFIELD.

Evanston, January 10, 1894.

ILLINOIS EPSILON, ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The long cherished hope of Illinois Epsilon is at last to be realized, and Phi Delta Theta will enter University of Illinois through Illinois Eta. We congratulate Zeta Province and the Fraternity at large upon the acquisition, and we feel sure that the chapter, as well as the members individually, will be an honor to us. Bro. Darrah has been the recipient of some substantial honors in the Masonic fraternity, having been called out on several occasions to deliver his popular lectures, entitled "The Man with a Lantern." Several notable social events of much interest have occurred during the month, among which was the marriage of Bro. John W. Sudduth and Miss Olive Coates, on January 4. The wedding occurred at the bride's home, and was largely attended by Phis and members of K K r, in which the bride was a leader. They are at home in Springfield, Illinois. We have received pleasant calls from Bros. Matthews. Fullenwider and Deutsch, who are attending school in various colleges, and also from Bro. W. R. Brown, our Province president, and several of the U. of I. prospective brothers, of whom we are so justly proud. We are watching some desirable material, and will pledge and initiate some good men as soon as they are eligible.

Sincerely in the Bond,

W. B. MERRILL.

Bloomington, January 20, 1894.

#### ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

The term now opening finds with us one of our old members, Bro. J. R. Stanley, '96. He was unable to attend last term, but has come now to stay. We are also glad to note that Bro. R. F. Anderson, '93, is located near us, having a position on the *Spectator*, and that he will be able to give to us his old time vigor and enthusiasm.

It was mentioned in the SCROLL that an excellent thing to introduce into the chapter, was an examination on the main points of fraternity work and of Phi Delta Theta. We have adopted something similar to that, and we feel sure that nothing but great good can come from it. Our list of questions is quite complete, and the members will be required to pass with a standing of 90; otherwise they will not be deemed eligible for office during the summer term. We think this is a scheme that will work well and ought to be adopted by all chapters.

We were pleased to meet Bro. Walter Brown when he was here last term. If we could, each year, receive calls from those who are deeply interested, it would tend to arouse the interest in the chapter, and to make all feel that there are those outside who know of us and care to learn of us. Some of our men found it convenient to call at Champaign last term, and they say we have in the boys there, those who will aid and represent our cause most creditably. We are glad to welcome them into our ranks.

Yours in the Bond.

BERT P. SMITH.

Galesburg, January 9, 1894.

## MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

Missouri Alpha opened up rather weak in September, with eleven men. Bros. Harry B. Walker, Anthony, Robt. Conley and Parker did not return. Bro. Walker was elected Principal of Higginsville High School, Bro. Anthony is attending a Pharmaceutical School in St. Louis and Bro. Conley, who was taking the Master's Degree is with the Herald of this city. However, with hustling, Alpha has initiated five men—Bros. Jones, Johnson, Watson, Groves and Moore. Bro. C. R. Macfarlane of Missouri Beta, '93, affiliated with us. He is taking law.

In June several honors were added to Phi Delta's list in the University. Bro. Guy A. Thompson took the Inter-society Declamatory Medal and Bro. Harry B. Walker was elected President of the Inter-State Oratorical Association.

Missouri Alpha the past year has enjoyed visits from Bros. Ed Watson, '89, Burton M. Thompson, '92 and Charlie Haines.

Last summer our brother, J. W. Cooper, led to the altar Miss Dollie Holloway, of Kansas City. Both are Phis.

Our June party was more magnificent than ever before. Guests assembled from all over the State. It was declared one of the swellest parties ever given in Columbia.

The foundation for the main University building has just been completed. It will be a magnificent structure nearly 375 feet long and costing \$250,000. It will be completed in two years.

The University, considering the changes being made around the grounds and its misfortunes by fire, opened rather good, about 575 students being in attendance. With a new Gymnasium and Medical Building in contemplation, and the buildings just completed, it is predicted that in less than five years there will be 1,500 students here.

Athletics are booming in the University this year. Our foot ball team covered itself with glory. After two defeats early in the season when the new material had not yet been seasoned, and a defeat by Iowa 34 to 12, we wound up by defeating Missouri Valley 76 to 0, Nebraska 30 to 18, and the Pastimes of St. Louis 20 to 12. On Thanksgiving we returned defeats of the two previous years by defeating Kansas University 12 to 4. Bro. Sam Anderson represents Alpha on the team and is considered the surest goal kicker in the west. With best wishes for success of Phi Delta Theta, I am,

Yours in the Bond,

CHARLES R. MACFARLANE.

Columbia, Mo., Dec. 22, 1893.

#### MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Since the last letter to THE SCROLL our number has been increased to twelve by the welcome addition of Arthur Atwood Brown, who was initiated on the evening of November 27th. Bro. Brown was sought elsewhere but after a careful investigation of the inducements offered, he saw where his best interests lay and accordingly cast in his lot with the Phis. The chapter has suffered greatly in the loss of Bro. C. F. Lamkin, who was called home a few weeks ago by the illness of his father, who died December 30th. He has the sympathy not only of the chapter but of the entire college in his bereavement.

The college has been greatly improved during the past year by the addition of electives to the course of study, by separating the Chairs of Biblical Study and Metaphysics and by many other minor changes. Dr. E. C. Gordon,  $\phi$  K  $\dot{\phi}$ , formerly of Washington and Lee University, is Acting President and bids fair to bring the course of study within the reach of many students who have hitherto gone elsewhere. The Board at its last meeting offered a cash prize to the Society giving the best open session in June. We are well represented on the program from each society.

Much interest was aroused by the recent announcement from the Faculty that the honors in the Senior Class would be decided by a vote of the class. The election has not yet been held but it is very probable that the non-frat. men will get both as they have a majority. The numerical standing of the Fraternities is—K A, 8; B  $\Theta$  II, 12;  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$ , 12.

The straightforward editorial in the December SCROLL replying to the slanderous attack of the would-be oracle of the *Beta Theta Pi*, on the principles of Phi Delta Theta, was greatly enjoyed by every member of the chapter.

Fraternally yours,

W. H. Forsythe.

Fulton, Jan. 10th, 1894.

MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

In this letter we wish to introduce to the Fraternity-at-large Bros. R. B. Wilson and Wm. H. Thomson, both members of the Freshman Class and men who do credit to the Fraternity. In the next letter we will be able to introduce other new members. As we have no opposing chapters in the University, excepting a chapter of  $\Sigma$  A E which is very weak, we can take our time and study our men thoroughly before putting them before the chapter.

Instead of our regular meeting on the evening of November 18, we gave a small informal party in the rooms. Prof. Heller and his wife and Prof. and Miss Dumay filled the office of chaperones. Cards were in order the first part of the evening and then refreshments were served, which was followed by dancing. The party broke up just in time to catch the last car home. The members of the chapter were invited as a body to attend a reception given by Mrs. Geo. S. Mepham of this city, on Wednesday evening, December 27. The majority of the members were present and passed a very enjoyable evening. Preparations are now on foot for our annual party which is generally given just before Lent. We hope to make this the best party of the season and are doing our utmost in that direction.

The Banjo and Mandolin Club are progressing rapidly under the management of Bros. Wilson and Miller and when we give our concert in the Spring we expect to surprise the "natives."

During the holidays we were visited by Bros. Van Blarcorn and Broadhead of Missouri Alpha. We hope that this example shall be followed by others and to all is extended a cordial invitation.

Yours in the Bond.

RALPH McCarty.

St. Louis, Jan. 15, 1894.

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#### IOWA BETA, STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Since our last letter appeared in the December number of THE SCROLL, we have added to our enrollment Charles G. Aldrich, '95, and Arthur Baker, '97. Brother Aldrich stands as leader in foot ball, is a member of the Junior Annual Board, and of the S. U. I. Quill Board, and is a member of the Tabard, a select literary club. He will remain and take law after graduating from the collegiate department. Bro. Baker, being a member of the class of '97, is a new man in University circles. He has been pledged since the first month of the school year.

The present term we deem to be the principal term in fraternity work, and the Phis are fully awake to its possibilities. Two standing committees have been appointed, one on literary work and one on parties. We intend to make literary work a prominent feature in our weekly meetings, especially during this term. At the close of last term we gave a delightful ball, at which two of our inactive alumni were present, viz.: Dr. Hosford of Iowa City, and David Fairchild of Chicago.

Bro. Woolston, who has not been in school during the past term, is again with us. Bro. Converse was called home several weeks ago by the severe illness of his father, and will not return till the spring term.

Yours in the Bond, GRAHAM W. LAWRENCE.

Iowa City, January 10, 1894.

#### NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

On February 15 the University of Nebraska will celebrate its quarter centennial anniversary. It is to be a gala day. Elaborate preparations are now going on to make this anniversary the most brilliant in the history of the institution. Professor Howard of Leland Stanford, Jr., University, formerly a student and professor in this University, is to be the principal orator of the occasion. There are also to be several exhibitions and banquets, not to mention the Junior Promenade in which we, the Phis, are specially interested. The University expects to entertain fully a thousand guests from all parts of the country.

The annual meeting of the Western State University Foot Ball Association has just been held at Kansas City. It was agreed that the season just ended was the most successful in the history of the Association. It is not beyond possibility that the coming year will

see as strong an association in track athletics in the West as the present foot ball association. Since the last letter we have taken into the fold Bros. Lyman, Oury and Westermann, all of whom are taking great interest in fraternity work.

Fraternally, Chas. A. Elliott.

Lincoln, January 11, 1894.

#### CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

The close of the mid-year examinations finds California Alpha undiminished in numbers, and in excellent spirits. We have added one to our number, Lee Willard, '97, of Seattle, Wash. At the initiation, on the night before Thanksgiving, quite a number of Phi Alumni were present, among whom was Bro. W. S. Ferris of Massachusetts Alpha, and Salt Lake City Alumni Chapter fame. Brother Ferris has been living in the Chapter House with us for the last two months, and intends to make his home permanently in California. We expect to make great progress with our permanent chapter home scheme during the next few months, and hope to be able to make a report of our success in the April SCROLL. FRANK S. BOGGS.

Berkeley, January 6, 1894.

#### CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD, JR., UNIVERSITY.

Undoubtedly the event of the greatest and most general interest to Stanford students each year, is the foot ball game with the University of California team. In spite of the drizzling rain and mud, both teams played a good game, which resulted in a score of six to six. During the holidays the Stanford eleven played in Portland, Tacoma, Seattle and Port Townsend, scoring 154 points to o.

The University has recently received from Senator Stanford's brother in Australia, a gift of nearly a million dollars to be used for the benefit of the library and for Australian scholarships.

Early in February, Ex-President Harrison will be here to deliver a course of lectures upon "The Origin of the American Constitution."

In November the chapter gave a reception to one hundred and fifty of their friends, and during the vacation, a smaller party passed an evening at the Chapter House with cards and dancing.

The second semester brings a few more students to Stanford, making the enrollment now 953.

California Beta extends her best wishes to all Phis for a very Happy New Year.

Very truly,

CHARLES C. HILL.

Palo Alto, January 13, 1894.

#### PERSONALS.

Pennsylvania  $\Delta$ —C. A. Peffer, '92, is studying law at Pittsburgh,

Pennsylvania  $\Delta$ —F. Gurney Stubbs, M. D., '90, is in St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago.

Pennsylvania &—Dr. M. C. Blystone, '83, is practicing medicine at Broken Bow, Neb.

Pennsylvania  $\Delta$ —Frank B. Miner, M. D., '89, Warren, O., is Coroner of Trumbull County.

Vermont A—A. H. Willard, '93, was married at Grafton, Vt., October 12, to Miss Nellie Williams.

Vermont A—D. C. Hawley, '91, had charge of the exhibit of the Vermont Marble Company at the World's Fair.

Ohio B—Carl H. Beckham, '85, is a member of the House of Representatives from Lucas County (Toledo), Ohio.

Vermont A—T. C. Cheney, '91, has been appointed private secretary to Hon. H. H. Powers, member of Congress.

Ohio A—Born on December 7, at Amherst, Mass., to Professor and Mrs. J. R. S. Sterrett, a daughter, Daphne Theodora.

Tennesse A—Lytton Taylor, '76, a charter member, has been appointed United States Attorney for the District of Alaska.

Pennsylvania Z—Dr. Lewis S. Somers, '91, has been elected Assistant Surgeon of the Union Mission Hospital of Philadelphia.

Vermont A—F. O. Sinclair, '82, has a position as chief engineer for the construction of an electric railroad from Buffalo to Niagara Falls.

Pennsylvania  $\Delta$ —Rev. John K. Howe, '93, and Miss Mollie H. Bennett of Tarentum, were married Wednesday, November 8th, 1893.

South Carolina B—The Laurens Advertiser is the name of the progressive county weekly at Laurens, S. C., of which W. W. Ball, '87, is editor and proprietor.

Vermont A—D. E. Croft, '89, has severed his connection with the Baptist Church at St. Albans, Vt., and assumed the pastorate of a church in South Framingham, Mass.

Ohio B—Hon. T. H. McConica, '81, now serving his second term in the Ohio Senate, was at the organization of the present session elected President pro tem. of that body.

Illinois A—Richard Kinnear, ex-'95, was married in September to Miss Brown of Tacoma, Wash. Mr. Kinnear is practicing law in partnership with his father in Tacoma.

Pennsylvania  $\Delta$ —D. W. Robinson, M. D., '81, is the President of the South Dakota Board of Health and member of the National Association of Railway Surgeons.

Ohio B—D. D. M. Woodmansee, '81, was elected President of the Ohio League of Republican Clubs at the recent session of that body at Columbus, to serve until February, 1895.

Pennsylvania Z—J. Clark Moore, Jr., '93, has opened a real estate broker's office at 716 Walnut street, Philadelphia, and notwithstanding the business depression, is doing remarkably well.

Illinois A—Harry Daniel, ex-'96, recently graduated from Emerson School of Oratory, Boston, Mass., and is now giving readings under the auspices of Indiana Epworth Lecture Bureau.

Illinois A—Frederick C. Waugh, ex-'88, was married October 4 to Miss Pearl Matthews at Independence Avenue M. E. Church, Kansas City, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Waugh will reside in Englewood, Chicago.

Ohio  $\Delta$ —Charles E. McBride, '82, is one of the fifteen who pulled through the recent political cyclone in Ohio, to represent the Democratic party in the House of Representatives. He represents Richland County, his home being at Mansfield.

Pennsylvania A and Z—Dr. McCluney Radcliffe, '82, has been appointed by the U. S. Pension Department Special Examiner for diseases of the eye and ear for the Pension Bureau at Philadelphia. He has been also recently elected Ophthalmic Surgeon to the Charity Hospital of Philadelphia.

Ohio B—Guy E. Manning, ex-'93, who affiliated with the Ohio Wesleyan Chapter three years ago from the Washington and Lee Chapter, has been a resident of New York City for the past year. He is secretary of the "Goodyear Mechanical Rubber Co., manufacturers of high grade rubber goods; offices and works 524 to 536 East 134 street, New York, N. Y."

Missouri A—The following interesting note is explanatory of the whereabouts of several Phis:

Editor Scroll—Dear Brown: As it may be of some interest to Scroll readers to know where some of the "Old Boys" are and what they are doing, I'll give you a list of Richmond, Mo. Phis: John R. Watkins, Missouri Alpha, '79, assistant cashier Exchange Bank, Richmond, Mo.; E. R. Hamocher, Missouri Alpha, '94, assistant cashier Ray County Savings Bank, Richmond, Mo.; S. D. Brady, Kansas Alpha, Deputy County Clerk, Ray County, Mo.; J. G. Van Meter, Missouri B, '95, now at school at Westminster College, Fulton, Mo.; and your "humble servant," Missouri Alpha, '91—I herewith hand you our card with compliments (Lavelock, Kirkpatrick & Divelbiss).

Very truly yours in Phi Delta,

F. P. DIVELBISS.

Tennessee A-George H. Armistead, '84, who for three years has been Secretary of the Nashville Commercial Club, has resigned that office to become connected with the Nashville Daily American as staff correspondent and special writer on economic and industrial subjects. editorial announcement of the change says: Armistead's efforts in behalf of the Commercial Club, and every enterprise affecting the welfare of Nashville, is appreciated by every business man in the city. resignation was accepted with reluctance, and only because it was believed that in his new field of labor he could accomplish even more for the progress, improvement and development of the resources of this city and State. The American gladly welcomes to its force this bright and promising young journalist, and predicts for him a brilliant career. It likewise congratulates the public in being able to furnish them in various wavs the results of his labors in their behalf."

Tennessee A—Two members of this chapter were prominent in efforts to prevent the Corbett-Mitchell fight at Jacksonville. Mayor D. U. Fletcher, '89, vetoed the ordinance that was specially passed to authorize glove contests, the Council subsequently passing it over his veto. The athletic club which had the fight in charge endeavored to bring a test case before the Criminal Court of Record, it being contended that there was no State law to prevent prize fighting, but Judge H. B. Phillips, '80, ruled the club out of court.

Pennsylvania Z—Recently the Americans attending Gottingen University, Germany, organized an International Table at the Stadt Park, a concert garden in the city. All foreigners at the University of whatever nationality attended the meetings, which are held during semester at frequent intervals. Dr. Nuttall, of Johns Hopkins University has heretofore acted as Presidium. This office, last year, was held by Mr. D. B. Shumway' Pennsylvania Zeta, '89, of the University of Pennsylvania, now at Gottingen on leave of absence.

Indiana A—Located as a fellow townsman of Judge F. E. Hunter, '79, is A. G. Foster, '78, attorney at law, El Paso, Texas. Brothers Foster and Hunter were classmates in the Central Law School at Indianapolis, from which they graduated in 1882. Their offices at El Paso are at adjoining doors on the same street. Brother Foster has been honored with a number of city official positions during his ten years' residence in El Paso, where he has been unusually successful in his profession. That he has interests outside of the law, is shown by an item in the same paper that contained notice of the election of Judge F. E. Hunter to one of the State offices of the I. O. O. F. The item speaks of his being a member of the Board of Directors of the El Paso Y. M. C. A., of which board he has been elected Secretary.

Virginia Z—It is Judge Lyman Chalkley now. A dispatch from Staunton, Va., to the *Baltimore Sun*, dated January 18, 1894, says:

"The election of Judge Lyman Chalkley today to fill the unexpired term of the late Judge Stout, of Augusta County Court, gives general satisfaction. He is a native of Richmond, is thirty-two years old and the youngest judge in the State. He is the son-in-law of Congressman Breckinridge, of Kentucky. He was educated at Washington and Lee University, Columbia College and Berlin and Bonn Universities, Germany. He was not a candidate for the office."

Brother Chalkley has been identified with Phi Delta Theta at three institutions. Initiated at Richmond College, where he was for three years; at University of Virginia, '84-'85, and later an affiliate of Virginia Zeta in '89. He is a resident of Lexington, Va., and takes much interest in the local chapter.

Ohio B—The Historian is kept busy writing down items of interest concerning one busy alumnus of this chapter—no other than Scott Bonham, '82. Well known in legal circles, and with a reputation as a "straight-outand-out" man in the Cincinnati "Board of Legislation," to which he has been twice elected; it is in other lines he is now making a record. Lafayette Lodge, No. 81, F. and A. M., one of the most flourishing branches of the Masonic order in Cincinnati, will have Brother Bonham as presiding officer through 1894. On December 13, 1893, the Second Cavalry Troop of the Ohio National Guard, was mustered in the service, at Cincinnati, in the presence of a large number of State and National The troop roll embraces the names of militiary officers. forty of the best young citizens of Cincinnati. The banquet, a full dress affair, was presided over by Brother Bonham, as toastmaster, and was favored with the presence of a large number of eminent military men.

Massachusetts B—C. Edward Tilley, '92, last year at Norfolk, Conn., is now at Orange, N. J. (street address 46 Ward street), where he is teaching in the Dearborn-Morgan School. He writes the following interesting personal letter to The Scroll, which we reproduce:

DEAR BROTHER: My copy of THE SCROLL has been forwarded to me each time from my old address, Norfolk, Conn. As I was reading it tonight it occurred to me that I would do well to have the address changed and forward the subscription. Please make the address as above and find enclosed one dollar for this year's volume.

I have been looking through the personals for some news of the '92 delegation of Massachusetts Beta. It was rather curiosity than anything else, for I know where they all are. Frank A. Leach is still teaching at Williston Seminary in Easthampton, Mass.: Fred C. Staples is at his home in Matfield, Mass.; E. N. Billings continues to study Theology at Hartford, and W. C. Hodder to act as reporter for the Lowell Citizen: H. A. Lincoln is engaged in the Portland & Rumford Falls Railway. For myself I am still teaching, but have changed my position to the Dearborn-Morgan School in this city.

I was especially interested in Bro. Swope's article on "A Constitutional Question," in the last number. It seems to me that the

idea might be enlarged so that the chapter in one college should consult that in another before initiating a man who had formerly been at the second college. There may be reasons why he was not taken that would lead his new college mates not to want him. At any rate exchange of confidences between chapters is a good thing and could not well work harm.

I am pleased at the way you prick the B  $\Theta$  II bubble in your editorial columns. Certainly I have seen nothing to warrant their claims and regard them as wholly unfounded,

Very truly yours in the bond,

C. EDWARD TILLEY, Mass. B, '92.

Indiana E—We clip from the Louisville Times of February 2nd, this paragraph which to those who returned on the same train with Brother Swope from Atlanta, is not without explanation. On this trip Swope showed himself to be a "burnt-cork" artist of the highest type, much to the edification of the party. The circumstances of this party were such, however, that there was no infringement or professional dignity as in this case:

Mr. Frank D. Swope, the well-known young attorney, had an experience several days ago in which his dignity suffered a great shock.

He was on his way to Harrodsburg on legal business and aboard the same train was a minstrel troupe which was billed to give a performance in that town that evening. As Mr. Swope alighted from the train, his big ulster buttoned around him, he at once became the center of attraction for a large crowd of gamins of all shades and colors. They followed him to the hotel, evidently mistaking him for the premier burnt-cork artist of the company.

Mr. Swope did not feel flattered over the admiration thus excited in the minds of the deluded youths, and he hurried to cover as

quickly as he could without running.

Arriving at the hostelry he was received with marked deference by the clerk, who threw the register open, and as he handed the guest a pen inquired: "Are you the manager?" Mr. Swope answered in a tone of voice which was almost resentful and clearly indicated that he considered such a mistake unpardonable. Then the ruffled guest betook himself to the dining-room. The black waiters fell over each other in their anxiety to take the order of the distinguished guest. The big moke who got there first hustled around a minute and then said: "Boss, when is yo' gwine to hab yo' p'rade?"

Mr. Swope's dignity was not proof against this question, and it gave way to excessive merriment. When he informed the waiter that he was a lawyer and not a minstrel, that functionary's interest

dropped instantly from the boiling point to zero.

Whatever Mr. Swope thought about it was evident that the waiter considered the difference to be entirely in favor of the burnt-cork profession.

Indiana A—A letter head upon which was written the letter from which the following excerpt was taken bears the heading, "F. E. Hunter, County Judge El Paso, Texas."

"There is one thing that I would like to suggest, and that is that in your editorials you insist on the various chapter correspondents sending you from time to time items regarding the alumni, as that department is, to most of the alumni, the most interesting part of the paper. We, who have been out of college for a number of years. can't keep up correspondence, and we like to know what has become of those we knew while active members.

"With best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year to THE SCROLL and the Fraternity, I remain yours in the bond,

"F. E. HUNTER."

Every alumni reader of THE SCROLL stands ready to indorse what Brother Hunter says. It is the department of Alumni Personals to which the alumnus turns in hopes of finding notes of those whom he knew, and to the page where he expects to find the letter from his active chapter. While a fair number of pages in each Scroll is devoted to alumni notes, it is also true that there are chapters whose reporters never furnish us with a single item of alumni news, who never send us their college paper, and from the alumni of which we never hear.

We are able to give an interesting note that the mails have brought us concerning a recent honor acquired by Judge Hunter:

THE TRIPLE LINK-F. E. HUNTER ELECTED GRAND WARDEN FOR TEXAS.

WACO, February 8.—Judge F. E. Hunter of El Paso, was last night elected Grand Warden for the State of Texas, I. O. O. F., on the second ballot, by seventy majority. According to the regular custom of the Order he is now in the line of election, next year as Deputy Grand Master, and the succeeding year, Grand Master of the State of Texas.

Judge F. E. Hunter, a son of an Odd Fellow, was born in Bloomington, Indiana, on the 11th of January, 1858. His father was one of the foremost educators of the State for many years prior to his death. Judge Hunter graduated from the High School at Bloomington, in 1875, and from the Indiana State University in 1879.

He then began to study law, and worked at his trade at the same time, being a printer by trade, and in 1880 went to law school at Indianapolis, where he graduated in 1882, under Judge Byron K.

Elliott.

He began the practice of law in his native town, where on the 5th day of March, 1883, he joined Cecilia Lodge No. 66, I. O. O. F., and in ten days thereafter lost all he possessed except the clothes he wore, by fire. He came to El Paso in September, 1883, where he

has since been practicing his profession.

He joined El Paso Lodge No. 284, in this city the next spring, and was immediately elected Secretary, and became a Past Grand in July, 1886 He has held or officiated in every office in the lodge, and has served his lodge in the Grand Lodge as representative several years, where he officiated on various important committees, and is the only West Texas member who has been recognized by appointment to any Grand Lodge office, being appointed Grand Conductor at the San Antonio session two years ago.

Judge Hunter ranks as Lieutenant Colonel in the army of Patriarchs Militant, and as such is Commander of the Department of

Texas.

Ohio B—Rush O. Bigley, '83, was married January 24th, 1894, at DeGraff, Ohio. The editor of The Scroll inspired by the recollection of three years of college life with Brother Bigley as chum and room-mate, set out in the expectation of being able to give a personal account of the wedding. At Marion, Ohio, he had the pleasure(?) of missing the train with which he should have made connection, and so had to extend his good wishes by telegram. The following account is taken from the local paper:

THE BIGLEY-STRAYER WEDDING.—The most important event that has happened in the events of DeGraff society for a long time, was the solemnizing of the rite of marriage, last Wednesday evening, between Miss Sue E. Strayer and Mr. R. O. Bigley. At the hour set for the ceremony, 6:30 o'clock, Mr. Clarence Carson of Muncie, Indiana, took his place at the piano and the soft, sweet strains of the bridal march from Lohrengrin floated through the spacious parlors, bringing to a hush the merry conversation of the still merrier throng, who listened to the enchanting music as its effects were brought out by a master's touch, and then Miss Bessie Strayer, sister of the bride, Miss Annie Fitzgerald, Miss Nellie Galer and Miss Rose Makemson appeared, as maids of honor, dressed in white, and unwinding coils of cream colored ribbon, outlining the way to the hymeneal altar, down which the bride and groom passed, taking their places under a true lover's knot of ribbon and decorations of smilax and white roses. The bride's dress was of fine cream crepede-chine and satin, made plain, and with no jewels except a diamond pin, a gift of the groom. Her costume was most becoming to her modest manner. In her hand she carried a bouquet of lilies-of-thevalley and fern leaves tied with ribbons to match her costume. The groom wore the full dress suit.

Rev. H. J. Bigley, father of the groom, performed one of the most impressive ceremonies it has ever been our pleasure to witness, to the strains of the beautiful melody, "Call Me Thine Own." At

this point of the ceremony Mr. Bigley placed the marriage ring upon the finger of his bride, accompanying his action with the vow:

"With this ring I now thee wed, And with my worldly goods I thee endow."

Rev. L. D. Cook of the M. E. Church, invoked the blessing of God upon the new husband and wife, and as Mendelssohn's wedding March pealed forth congratulations were extended to the happy young course.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Mary J. Strayer, and one of DeGraff's popular young ladies. Mr. Bigley is well and favorably known by our people, having spent many years of his life here, being in the grocery business, and at one time a very efficient member of our City Council.

A bountiful wedding feast was served. The table of honor was handsomely decorated with white ribbons placed diagonally, crossing in the center, where was placed a large bouquet of bride's roses, hyacinths and maiden's hair ferns. At each plate was a bride's rose tied with ribbon. The tokens at the other tables were tiny boxes in delicate tints, bearing the monogram BS and date, each box containing a piece of bride's cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Bigley went direct to their home in Lima, where Mr. Bigley is engaged in business, being a member of the wholesale grocery firm of Moore Bros. & Co. The best wishes of their friends, whom they count in legions, follow them.

#### TO CONTRIBUTORS.

The worst of things that suit us ill is That everlasting name of Phyllis; For be she dark, or be she fair, With raven locks, or golden hair, There's never any change of name; It's always Phyllis, just the same.

Oh! call her Meg, or call her Molly, Or Prue, or Pet, or Peg, or Polly; Or if you're after something fine, Try Beatrice or Clementine. But, gentle poet, we implore, Don't name her Phyllis any more.

KENT KNOWLTON, Dartmouth, '94.

In the Dartmouth Literary Monthly.

#### ITEMS OF INTEREST.

#### FRATERNITIES.

 $\Theta \Delta X$  has erected a small but neat Lodge at Tuft's College.

Nebraska and Bucknell Universities are the latest recipients of S A E chapters.

Δ K E at Cornell is building a chapter house, the corner stone for which was laid last fall.

The active membership for K A (S. O.) in December was 417, divided between 33 chapters.

The Williams Chapter of  $\Delta T \Delta$  was reduced to three men at the opening of the fall term.

The  $\Delta \Psi$  house at Williams College was damaged by fire and water combined in November last.

The Woman's College of Baltimore enrolls four fraternities— $\Delta \Gamma$ , A  $\Phi$ ,  $\Gamma \Phi B$  and T K II (local).

The recently established chapter of  $\Pi$  B  $\Phi$  makes the third ladies fraternity at Stanford University.

Reports from University of Wooster say that the  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$  chapter of that institution has given up its charter.

X has revived at Lehigh and conservative K A has installed a chapter, making the fourteenth fraternity represented in the University.

The publication office of the *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly* has been changed to P. O. Box 112, New York City, F. C. Howe continuing as editor.

The  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$  song-book which has been in preparation for a number of years, has been issued from the press of Bigelow and Main. The catalogue is promised for April 1st.

The active membership of fraternities at Union College is as follows: KA, 3;  $\Sigma \Phi$ , 7;  $\Delta \Phi$ , 10;  $\Psi Y$ , 18;  $\Delta Y$ , 24;  $X \Psi$ , 9;  $A \Delta \Phi$ , 19;  $B \Theta \Pi$ , 13;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 12; and  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 15.

The  $\Delta$  K E house at Williams burned last fall. The property had been recently purchased at a cost of \$15,500. The house was fully insured and the chapter will rebuild.

The total membership of  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$ , December 15, 1893, was 6,407, of which total 465 composed the active collegiate membership at that time.

The Boston University chapter of  $\Sigma$  A E has so far worked entirely in the professional (Law and Theological) departments of that university.

Beta Theta Pi revived her dormant Kenyon Chapter in October by the initiation of eleven men. The initiation took place at Cleveland under the auspices of the Adelbert Chapter.

Delta Tau Delta at Hillsdale College, this year entered upon life in a chapter house. The house is one of the best residences in Hillsdale, and has been leased for a number of years.

 $\Sigma$  A E and  $\Phi$   $\Gamma$   $\Delta$  are new comers at Trinity College, Connecticut, making seven fraternities to contend for men where the freshmen class usually numbers from 30 to 35 men, says the  $\Delta$  Y Quarterly.

The Rutger's  $\Delta$  Y chapter took possession of a new home last September. The title to the property is vested in an incorporated association—"The Rutger's Chapter of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity."

 $B \otimes \Pi$  has initiated five men at Stanford University under special dispensation, and expects eventually to be chartered there.  $\Delta T \Delta$ , after many rumors, is announced as a fact at the same institution.

E. W. Huffcut, the new Professor of Law at Cornell University, is a Cornell graduate '84, and a member of  $\Theta \Delta X$ . He has been successively called from Indiana to Northwestern, to Stanford, to Cornell.

The Gettysburg, Beloit, Colgate, Minnesota, DePauw and Kansas chapters of  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$  are credited with owning chapter houses, while chapters at Pennsylvania, Johns Hopkins, Cornell and Stanford rent theirs.

The chapter roll of  $\Delta\Delta\Delta$  (Sorosis) comprises the following institutions — Boston University, St. Lawrence University, Adrian College, Simpson College, Knox College, University of Cincinnati and University of Vermont. The first convention ever held by the fraternity was in session at Galesburg, Ill., May 24th, 25th and 26th, proving a very enjoyable re-union.

The University of Kansas Chapter of  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$  has purchased the O. E. Bassett residence, which was built at an original cost of \$15,000, and will use the same for chapter house purposes. It will afford accommodations for sixteen men.

January 6, at a banquet of the Chicago Alumni Association Phi Kappi Psi revived her Illinois Beta Chapter by installing a chapter at the University of Chicago. The new chapter enrolls nine men, five post-graduates and four undergraduates.

A chapter of K A (Southern) was established at Emory and Henry College, Emory, Virginia, December 23, 1893. The inducements were buildings worth \$130,000, endowment of \$50,000, 80 collegiate students, three fraternities, and strict anti-fraternity laws.

Last year the Cornell Chapter of  $\Delta$  Y entered its new home. The house cost \$18,500 and is owned by the Delta Upsilon Alumni Association. The money was raised by subscriptions and sale of bonds. The active chapter pays an annual rental of \$800, with which the association pays for taxes, insurance and repairs, and interest on bonds not covered by subscription.

New Chapters of  $\Phi$   $\Gamma$   $\Delta$  are announced for Amherst and Union Colleges. The Amherst Chapter was founded by a member from Wittenberg who entered last fall and enrolls ten men. It began life in a leased chapter house, the installation taking place Dec. 20, 1893. The Union Chapter was installed Dec. 8, 1893 with a membership of fifteen men, and has been granted a position on all the college publications.

The number of Institutions in which fraternities are represented has been augmented within the last two years by three of the higher technical schools of the country. Two years ago Phi Gamma Delta established a chapter at Worcester, (Mass.) Polytechnic Institute. Last fall Phi Kappi Psi established her New York Zeta Chapter at the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, and now Alpha Tau Omega announces her Indiana Gamma Gamma at Rose Polytechnic Institute, Terra Haute, Indiana.

X Φ held her annual convention in Washington, D. C., November 10 and 11, 1893. John D. Adams, of New York, was re-elected Grand Alpha, and it was decided to hold the next three conventions in New York City, the Friday and Saturday after Thanksgiving each year. It is thought that in this way there will be increased knowledge among alumni as to time and place of convention, and consequently a greatly increased attendance. Forty Chi Phis sat down to the convention banquet at Washington.

The Van Rensslaer manor house in Albany is in process of demolition. It was erected in 1765, and has ranked as a perfect type of renaissance architecture as employed in the colonial period. A reproduction of the old house will be made for the Sigma Phi Fraternity of Williams College, at Williamstown, Mass. The old chapter-house of the Fraternity was destroyed by fire on January 7, 1893. The foundations and the timbers for the rafters will be taken to Williamstown and used in the new building.—New York World.

The Ohio State oratorical contest was held at Alliance. February 15th. Ohio Wesleyan, Ohio State, Mt. Union, Marietta, Buchtel, Wooster, Denison, Wittenberg and Ohio were represented. R. C. Gasser,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , presided during the evening. McConnell, O. W. U.,  $\Delta T \Delta$ , won first place; Hosmer, Wooster,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , second, and Chamberlain, Denison,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , third. The Marietta man was also a  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , the Wittenberg a  $B \Theta \Pi$ , the Buchtel a  $\Delta \Gamma$ , and the Ohio a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . Delta Tau Delta has maintained a pre-eminence at Ohio Wesleyan in oratorical contests. Since 1882, in twelve contests, the representative has been a  $\Delta T \Delta$  five times.

Southern K A has a new Constitution and Ritual which evidently provides "sisters" for the brethren. The Southwestern correspondent writes: "We have patriotically, loyally and enthusiastically complied with the happy provision made in the new Constitution for our 'sisters' K A. It is hardly necessary for me to say that all these are most loyal, and constitute the creme de la creme of Georgetown society. "The University of North Carolina correspondent writes: "Under its new provision we have invited two charming young ladies of the Hill to become 'Sisters,' and in the words of one of them, the K A's were 'such fine fellows,' the honor could not be refused, although it was 'not good policy for a girl to join a fraternity here.' Miss Helen Hampton, formerly of Minneapolis, Minn, and Miss Louisa Manning, of Chapel Hill, are the charter

members of Upsilon order Sorosis, and it is with pleasure that we introduce them as such to the fraternity."

Some questions naturally arise in the mind of the outsider. What sort of a goat is used for these feminine initiations? What is the constitutionally prescribed order of exercises at meetings? And finally, should one of their sisters of the "order Sorosis" allow herself to be "lifted," is the penalty such that *Journal* must blazon this fact to the whole Greek world? We trust that all will go merry as a marriage bell in the new Sorosis.

Phi Kappa Sigma has established an orphan branch at Tulane, which is called a revival of its Mu Chapter, which maintained a prominent existence at the old University of Louisiana from '58 till the breaking out of the war, when it suffered extinction. Its present membership of eleven is confined to the Law Department, which necessarily indicates a precarious condition. Two enthusiastic antebellum members were its reorganizers. This fraternity originated at the University of Pennsylvania in '50, and immediately prosecuted a vigorous campaign of extension, particularly in the South. The "late unpleasantness" proved a chilling blast to this bold and enterprising organization, and a blight from which it has never fully recovered was inflicted. An attitude, up to the last convention, two years ago, of extreme lack of self-confidence and of drowsy lethargy was very noticeable, since which time an aggressive policy of extension has been renewed. The only chapters which have ever maintained a prominent stand are the parent one at Pennsylvania and the Lambda at the University of North Carolina, which just at present numbers one man and a chapter house. present chapter roll includes Pennsylvania, Franklin and Marshall, Washington and Jefferson, University of Virginia, University of North Carolina, Lake Forest (Ill.), University of Illinois, Randolph-Macon, Northwestern, Richmond College, Pennsylvania State College and Tulane. The list of defunct Southern branches consists of Centenary College ('55 to '61,) Emory and Henry ('56 to '61), Cumberland University ('59 to '61), University of Mississippi ('59 to '61), Centre College ('60 to 62), and Austin College ('65). The badge is a Maltese cross with raised skull and cross bones in the center.—Kappa Alpha Journal.

#### COLLEGES.

The University of North Carolina has matriculated over 400 students this session.

James R. Day, D. D., LL. D., of New York City, is to be the new Chancellor of Syracuse University.

Albion College is in receipt of a gift of \$50,000 from Aaron T. Bliss, of Saginaw, Mich., for the erection of a library building.

Denison University has ready for occupancy her new Science Hall, the gift of Mr. Barney, the wealthy car manufacturer of Dayton, Ohio.

The "Harvard Annex" is now known as Radcliffe College, a name more acceptable and in better keeping with the idea of higher education for women.

The committees from Cornell and Pennsylvania Universities have effected a Debating League, and under the arrangements made the first debate will take place at Cornell, April 20th.

The Kent Chemical Laboratory was opened with appropriate exercises at University of Chicago, January 1st. A large number of men eminent in chemical science were present at the dedication.

The rumor was current last summer to the effect that Denver University mortgaged her last college building to raise money for current expenses. It is known that its finances are in bad condition.

Cornell has abandoned examinations at the end of the term, and will continue recitations until the closing day. Students will stand or fall on the grades maintained throughout the term in recitations.

Co-education seems to be running away with Boston University (College of Arts). In the large entering class last fall, there were but ten men. For these ten men, three fraternities were on the look out— $\Theta$   $\Delta$  X, B  $\Theta$  II and a local society.

Purdue University has suffered an irreparable loss in the burning of her new Mechanical Engineering Laboratory. The building was just completed at a cost of \$50,000, and apparatus and drawings to the value of \$65,000 had just been placed therein at the beginning of this term. Little was saved from the fire. As it was a State building there was no insurance. It is probable that the Legislature will make an appropriation at its next session to rebuild, such being the usual custom, it being cheaper to replace burned buildings than to maintain insurance on all State property.

An Amherst alumnus of '92 has recently discovered, at Colorado Springs, one of the original subscription books in which pledges to aid in founding the college were made. It contains the names of thirty-two subscribers, and yet the entire amount is only \$49.—@  $\Delta$  X Shield.

#### POT-POURRI.

The Review of Reviews is justly called an "International Magazine," circling the globe as it does with its reviews and abstracts of current literature. In the February number forty-one topics are touched upon in "The Progress of the world" department, and as many portraits are given of eminent men and women. "Relief Measures in American Cities" is a timely discussion by Albert Shaw, an authority on the subject. "Leading articles of the Month" embraces a choice list culled from the best periodical literature in the world. "The 'Real' Discoverer of America" abstracts an article in the Fortnightly in which it is claimed one Jean Cousin discovered the mouth of the Amazon River in 1488, and that Columbus was aware of this when he obtained his commission from Queen Isabella. Recent political articles are reviewed, and altogether there is no subject of current interest but what will be found touched upon in the Review of Reviews.

The January number of the *University Review* leads off with an interesting article on "Vanderbilt and her Fraternities," by John H. Dewitt, Tennessee Alpha, '94. The article is illustrated with cuts of college buildings and the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  chapter house.

The same number contains the paper "Histories of Fraternities," read by Brother W. B. Palmer, at the Congress of Fraternities at Chicago.

Johns Hopkins University is a center for post-graduate study in our country that stands without superiors, and quite likely Harvard is the only other institution offering as broad an opportunity for advanced and original investigation. The post-graduate greatly overshadows the under-graduate department, but the latter has now a very well developed attendance. Naturally from advanced work done here Johns Hopkins alumni are found on the Faculty roll of many of our colleges and universities.  $\mathbf{B} \odot \mathbf{\Pi}$ ,  $\mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{\Psi}$ ,  $\mathbf{\Delta} \mathbf{\Phi}$ ,  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{\Delta} \mathbf{\Phi}$ ,  $\mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{\Gamma} \mathbf{\Delta}$ ,  $\mathbf{K} \mathbf{A}$  (S. O.) and (but recently established)  $\mathbf{\Pi} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{A}$  support chapters there, which have maintained creditable places in respective fraternities, and are valuable aside from the character of the men, in the tendency to recruit the Faculty representation of these orders in various institutions.

A number of Phis have always been in attendance, although no organization has been even attempted. A recent letter from one of the best of modern Phis to the editor is herewith given:

DEAR BROTHER BROWN: A list of the Phis at the Johns Hopkins may be of some interest, so I send it to you. R. M. Bagg, Massachusetts Beta; E. C. Franklin, Kansas Alpha; L. S. Hulburt, Wisconsin Alpha; G. L. Hunner, Wisconsin Alpha; W. W. Landis, Pennsylvania Epsilon; Constance Pessels, Texas Beta; H. W. Sayre, Alabama Alpha, and E. C. Armstrong, Virginia Gamma.

Brother Hulburt is not enrolled as a student. He is instructor in mathematics. Brother Landis is also an instructor in mathematics, and is also working for his degree.

Yours in the Bond,

E. C. ARMSTRONG.

It would be a gratification to the Fraternity, and a movement of great good, if these men could get together and rouse the spirit of the moribund Baltimore alumni, and with them see that Alumni Day, or some other early date, furnishes a rousing Phi re-union and banquet. A copy of the new catalogue will at once furnish a list of these Baltimore residents. Do it!

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Before the next issue of THE SCROLL two important dates in our calendar will have been passed. To one of these the announcement at the head of the Editorial page has already called attention, and we would emphasize the notice by asking the chapters to read what was said upon the subject of Alumni Day in the issues for February and April, 1893. Knowledge of this will stimulate a more

intelligent interest in the observance of the day for this year. This date should be an important one in the social

life of the chapter.

The other date, is that for the issuance of the annual circular letter of chapters to their alumni,—March 1st. There has been a tendency on the part of some chapters to look upon these letters as a luxury—that, when pressed at all by other duties and financial burdens, can be laid aside, and to imagine in so doing they are economizing. The March circular letter is a letter from the chapter to its alumni. It should be in the spirit and tone that would be given a direct personal communication. It should mention the progress made by the chapter and its members, but carefully avoiding Sophomoric boasting; tellwhat has been going on in the college and among rival chapters; and what is most important, should ask for alumni counsel in laying out the work and policy of the chapter for the coming year. This of course means a discussion on the chapter house question. Let no chapter entertain the thought that it economizes by neglecting to issue the March letter. The awakened interest of one alumnus will more than repay its expense, and the regularity of its coming to all the correspondent members cannot help, even though intangibly at first, but bring about a closer relation between them and the active membership.

"My American Experiences" by the President of the Swiss Republic, is an article of unusual interest in the February number of the North American Review. In the same number W. D. Howell's discusses "Are we a Pleutocracy," Senator Roger Q. Mills "The Wilson Bill," the Governor of South Carolina defends "The South Carolina Liquor Law."

The March number of the same magazine contains pertinent articles that thinking men and students should read. Prof. R. T. Ely's paper "Natural Monoplies and the working man" is logical and forcible; Home Industries and the Wilson Bill receives discussion from the Presidents of the New York, Boston, New Orleans and San Francisco Chambers of Commerce. Among other articles are "The new aspect of the Woman Question," "Village Life in England," "Prisons in the Old World and New," "France and the Income Tax," and "The Financial Dependence of Women."

The March number of *The Forum* (which, by the way, will begin Volume XVII,) will contain the sharpest and. it is believed, the most helpful discussion of the Income Tax that has anywhere appeared. The Hon. Uriel S. Hall, M. C. will write in favor of it; and Mr. David A. Wells against it. The same number will contain a series of articles on different systems of Socialism or Communism that are favored by different groups of agitators in the United States; Mr. Edward Bellamy will explain definitely the program of the Nationalists, and Professor William G. Sumner of Yale University will criticise this program showing its impracticability. Other articles that will appear in this number, will be a searching inquiry into the causes of Railroad failures in 1893, by Mr. Simon Sterne, and an interesting study of the religious condition of an old Puritan town in Massachusetts, showing the lapse of the force and power of the churches, by the Rev. Wm. Bayard Hale, of Middleboro, Mass.

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Walter C. Harris, a graduate of Miami, '91, and an engineering graduate of Ohio State, '93, is Associate Editor, College World Department of the *University Review*. Brother Harris, after graduation, spent last summer and fall at the World's Fair, being chief electrician for the Streets of Cairo, in Midway Plaisance. Since the close of the Fair he has secured a position in New York City, where he now resides. Mail addressed in care of the *University Review*, 202 Fifth avenue, would likely reach him.

The Illinois Eta of Phi Delta Theta was installed at the University of Illinois on February 9th, 1894. An account of the charter movement and the installation exercises will be given in our April issue. In the meantime, we extend a most hearty welcome to this new member of the Phi family, who comes with so many recommendations and with such good promises for the future.

David E. Platter, Ohio Alpha, '71, a student at Miami from '67 to '71, and editor of the first catalogue of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  issued after the war, is with the "Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co.," and has his office at 311, Rookery, Chicago, Illinois.

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The April SCROLL will issue near its usual time.

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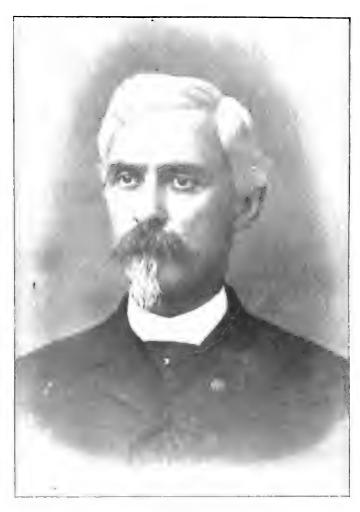
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#### THE OLD FRIENDLY CHAPTER.

AIR-" The Old Oaken Bucket."

How dear to my heart are the years spent in college, When fond recollection presents them to mind. The staid institution at which I sought knowledge, A mother to all of her sons ever kind; The walls of the building where ivy was clinging, The echoing peals of the old chapel bell, The students who oft on the campus were singing, The group in the chapter whose glories I tell;— The old friendly chapter, the far-famous chapter, The time-honored chapter whose glories I tell.

Its hall a retreat in which joy without measure
Was felt by the knights of the sword and the shield;
I found it the source of an exquisite pleasure,
The purest and sweetest that nature can yield.
Companions I greeted whose faces were glowing,
Fraternity mates whom I long had known well:
For Phi Delta Theta their zeal overflowing,
Most cherished of chapters whose glories I tell;—
The old friendly chapter, the far-famous chapter,
The time-honored chapter whose glories I tell.

Delightful it was when our minds we were training,
Good fellows to know, all regardless of care;
In brotherly fashion, our mirth not restraining,
We met in the temple of Pallas the fair.
And now, far removed from the loved situation,
The tear of regret will intrusively swell,
As fancy reverts with a keen animation,
And sighs for the chapter whose glories I tell:
The old friendly chapter, the far-famous chapter,
The time-honored chapter whose glories I tell.
Walter B. Palmer, '80.

Tennessee Alpha.

#### JOHN WALKER FEIGHAN.

Col. John W. Feighan, a leading attorney of Spokane, Washington, is a native of the State of New York, hav-

ing been born in Buffalo in 1845.

He removed with his parents to Indiana and later to Kentucky, when he was quite young. At the early age of fourteen years he was left an orphan. After attending the country schools he began an academic course, but the breaking out of the Rebellion diverted for a time the thirst for the knowledge of books, and he determined to enlist in the service of his country. Owing to his extreme youth he was twice rejected, but a third appeal was more successful, and at the age of seventeen years he entered the service in the Eighty-third Indiana Regiment, attached to the Second Division of the Fifth Army Corps, and with his gun and knapsack went to the front. He was never absent from duty a single day during his entire service, and earned and received a commission for his services at the front. His regiment was under fire two hundred and thirteen days.

At the close of the war Col. Feighan, having a natural bent for legal pursuits, determined to adopt the profession of the law, and with this object in view entered Miami University at Oxford, Ohio, from which institution he was graduated in the class of 1870. He then took the prescribed course of study at the Cincinnati Law School, graduating in 1872, teaching school in the meantime in order to obtain the means to defray the expenses of his college education. He began the practice of his profession at Owensboro, Ky., in 1872, where he remained till the fall of 1880, when he removed to Kansas and settled at Emporia, Lyon County, in that State, where he soon built up a lucrative practice. While at Emporia he was three times elected prosecuting attorney and creditably discharged the duties of that office. In 1887 he was elected Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic for the Department of Kansas. As a token of esteem his comrades sent him, after he removed to the State of Washington, a handsome commander's badge of gold, studded with diamonds.

In 1888 Colonel Feighan removed to Spokane Falls, Wash., where he has since resided. In the practice of his chosen profession he has been eminently successful,

and the firm of which he is a member enjoys a large and increasing practice. His prominent characteristics as a lawyer have been cool, dispassionate judgment, plain common sense, devotion and diligent loyalty to his client, and thorough hard work for the mastering of the matter in hand. He has always taken a deep interest in political matters, and is a devoted member of the Republican Party. His popularity has been attested by repeated calls to positions of public honor and trust.

Before his removal to Kansas from Kentucky he was the candidate of his party for member of Congress from the Second District in the latter State, and made a number of able and brilliant speeches for his party. He was elected a member of the first Legislature of the new State of Washington, from Spokane County, and was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives without opposition. As a presiding officer he was fair, able and popular, and won the confidence and esteem of the body over which he presided.

Col. Feighan's name is prominently mentioned in connection with the seat in the United States Senate until recently occupied by a loyal Phi, the Hon. John B. Allen, Indiana Beta, '67.

As a citizen he takes a deep and active interest in everything which he deems calculated to promote the prosperity and improvement of the beautiful city he has chosen for his residence. In all the kindly relations of acquaintance, neighbor and friend, the genial and manly elements that constitute the truest band of human intercourse are conspicuous ingredients in his character.

He has always taken a lively interest in the Phi Delta Theta, and recalls with a great deal of pleasure his connections with the workings of the Fraternity. His devotion to the "Sword and Shield" is evidenced by the fact that he today wears the first badge made of the design now in use. It is of plain gold, with no settings whatever, but its owner prizes it as highly as though it were studded with diamonds, and he wears it "with credit to himself and honor to the Fraternity."

W. E. WILLIS.

#### HISTORIES OF FRATERNITIES.

[A paper read before the Congress of Fraternities, World's Fair Auxiliary, Memorial Art Institute, Chicago, July 19, 1893.]

The object of this paper is to urge that fraternities prepare to publish their histories without further delay. The subject deserves more attention than it has received. Histories should be written and published for the benefit of present members and also future initiates. Really, it is amazing that so little in this direction has been done. True, fraternities have been busy with other things, with the perfection of their internal arrangements, and the execution of plans for extension. But there is small excuse for this failure to publish histories. All of the fraternities have been enterprising in issuing publications of different characters, but of no more importance than histories, if indeed they are of as much importance. fraternity system, founded by Kappa Alpha in 1825, is closing the third quarter of a century of its existence, and yet an adequate history of any fraternity has not yet appeared.

Sigma Phi, founded in 1827, issued a catalogue as early as 1832. This, the first fraternity catalogue, is now sixtyone years old. The total number of editions of Sigma Phi's catalogue to date is seventeen. Psi Upsilon, founded in 1833, issued the first fraternity song book in 1849. forty-four years ago, and to the present time has issued nine editions of its song book and ten of the catalogue. The publication of a fraternity periodical was begun by Delta Upsilon in 1867-68. The oldest fraternity periodical that has had a continuous existence is the Beta Theta Pi, which was established in 1872, twenty-one years ago. Fraternity journalism has developed to an extent that makes it a great credit to the system. The latest and best specimens of fraternity catalogues show that vast labor has been spent in the accumulation of biographical data. A number of fraternities possess excellent song books which indicate that much talent has been employed

in the composition of the lyrics they contain.

All this progress in the way of publications proves that there is great loyalty, enthusiasm and energy among fraternity men. Some of this loyalty, enthusiasm and energy should now be expended in the production of fraternity histories. What is needed is that some zealous

man, willing to sacrifice his time for the benefit of his fraternity, should set an example in writing a history, such as the example set by Charles W. Smiley, who devoted two years to the compilation of the Psi Upsilon catalogue which appeared in 1879. This was the first great fraternity catalogue, and it established a standard which other fraternities have striven to equal or excel. If some man should issue a monumental historical work, comparing favorably with Mr. Smiley's achievement in catalogue making, it would likewise become a model, and but a few years would elapse before a number of fraternities would publish similar books.

The nearest approach to a fraternity history is "The Psi Upsilon Epitome," by Albert P. Jacobs. It was issued in 1884, and it is the largest separate work in the nature of a fraternity history that has yet been produced. Still its title indicates that the author did not consider it a history in the full sense of that word. It is not arranged to furnish a complete account of the development of the fraternity during successive periods, but it is of a sketchy character, the chapters or divisions of the book not following one another in chronological order. Though it gives much condensed information, it falls short of being a history. In 1886 "A Manual of Phi Delta Theta" was issued by myself. It embraces only a sketch of the fraternity, and was intended to be used as campaign material.

The latest editions of the catalogues of Kappa Alpha, Sigma Phi, Alpha Delta Phi, Chi Psi, Delta Upsilon, Chi Phi, Sigma Chi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Southern Kappa Alpha and Sigma Nu include much historical information, but in every case this information, both as to plan and contents, does not meet the requirements of a history. Sketches of fraternities have been published in periodicals, and considerable detail was given in such sketches that appeared in early volumes of the journals of Zeta Psi and Delta Tau Delta.

The next best accounts of the various fraternities are found in "American College Fraternities," first published in 1879. As it embraces accounts of all fraternities, the space devoted to each was too limited for anything more than a sketch. The accounts vary in merits, for the author, William R. Baird, had from some fraternities but little co-operation in the collection of information, even for the last edition which appeared in 1890. Among his-

tories of chapters which have been published are those of the Brown, Dartmouth, Wesleyan, Rochester and Michigan chapters of Psi Upsilon, the Wabash and Ohio Wesleyan chapters of Phi Kappa Psi, the Williams chapter of Kappa Alpha, the Williams chapter of Delta Upsilon, the Denison chapter of Beta Theta Pi, and the Northwestern chapter of Sigma Chi.

The enormous size and consequent cost of the last editions of the catalogues of the larger fraternities are sufficient reasons for not combining a catalogue and a history of a fraternity in one volume. Some fraternities are so large already, and are growing so rapidly, that they will never be able to raise sufficient funds to publish catalogues separately, unless the biographical data is more closely restricted to important facts than has recently been the rule.

Some difficulty will be found in writing histories, because of the secret nature of the fraternities. What events can properly be made public is a matter to be carefully considered. But each historian should give full details in regard to the founding of his fraternity. The more complete the information concerning the formative periods of the fraternity and the various chapters, the more interesting will the history be. Every chapter has had its vicissitudes, and the incidents connected with its victories and defeats should be related. While neither the original nor subsequent constitutions may be published, a clear understanding should be given of the principles upon which the fraternity was founded and of the fraternity's system of government, as it first existed and as affected by constitutional amendments.

All references to development in ritualistic observances must of course be omitted. The important acts of national conventions, so far as they may with propriety be published, should be recorded. Details should be given about the fraternity's bibliography. The adoption of fraternity insignia and the inauguration of fraternity customs should be particularly mentioned. Descriptions of chapter houses should appear. The book should be ornamented with illustrations of chapter houses, fraternity emblems, etc., and portraits of prominent members. Comparisons with other fraternities should occasionally be made, so that the reader may know of their relative standing at various periods. In allusions to rival fraternities, however, much care should be exercised to avoid

inaccuracies. A fraternity history should above all things be strictly truthful. It should not detract from other fraternities, and the less boasting the better. Let worthy achievement, fairly stated, show the fraternity's merits.

The history should contain full biographical sketches of the fraternity's founders and personal information regarding distinguished members and charter members of the chapters. Especially should credit be given to those who have been foremost in different lines of fraternity work, and to whose devotion the fraternity is indebted for material advancement. In every fraternity there are members who have sacrificed much time, labor and money to promote its interests, and they have but small recompense if within a few years the active members are entirely ignorant of their loyal deeds. And yet this is inevitable unless such deeds, however notable, are recorded in a published history. A man who, by research among archives and old publications, has become exceptionally well informed as to his fraternity's career is often surprised at the ignorance on the subject displayed by other members, but this is not to be wondered at when there is no historical narrative of the fraternity in exist-

All self-respecting organizations should publish their Fraternity pride demands that a record of the past be preserved. A fraternity history would be equally as valuable as a catalogue and more interesting. work should not be postponed. Much has already been lost by delay. In each fraternity a competent member or committee should be appointed immediately to collect all the fraternity's publications and to resurrect old documents. Alumni who can now supply missing facts may be dead a few years hence. Archives still extant may have been destroyed by fire or otherwise. The originals of valuable papers should be kept in fire-proof receptacles, and copies of some might be printed in the fraternity's magazine, as has been done in the Beta Theta Pi and the Scroll of Phi Delta Theta. Alumni who have acted conspicuous parts in organizing and building up the fraternity should be requested to write personal reminiscences. As time affects the accuracy of memory, it would be well not to depend too much on the recollections of alumni for historic details, but such reminiscences will often afford delightful insights into the customs of the fraternities during eras through which it has lived.

Each chapter should utilize all the fraternity and college records obtainable in the compilation of a chapter history to be published separately, or at least contribute a full historical sketch to the fraternity magazine. A general movement of this kind would in a few years result in a number of splendid histories, which would be the greatest addition that has ever been made to fraternity literature. Nothing else that could be done would so powerfully operate to bring the fraternity system more prominently before the public as an important and commendable factor in the college world of America.

WALTER B. PALMER.

## CHARLES A. OLIVER.

## PENNSYLVANIA ZETA.

Among the names of Philadelphians who are known outside the limits of their city, for eminent success in their field of chosen work, Dr. Charles A. Oliver deserves to be mentioned. To those who read current medical literature this name has been familiar for a number of years, through the numerous contributions which the Doctor has furnished to general and special publications. Dr. Oliver's field of work has been found in the practice of Ophthalmology, and the position which he has attained as a practitioner and authority in this line is one upon which he is to be congratulated.

This field which Dr. Oliver has chosen is one that has attracted many of the brightest minds of the profession, and New York and Philadelphia are centers of activity in which to rise to the top gives the stamp of sincere worth. In this field much that is new has been discovered within recent years, and new works and new editions of old text books on diseases of the eye have greatly increased in the last half decade. The latest among these is "A Text Book of Ophthalmology," by W. F. Norris and C. A. Oliver, issued by the well known medical publishing house of Lea

Brothers & Co., Philadelphia.

If any excuse or apology seems necessary to any one for this contribution to medical literature, it will at once be found on an examination of the book. It has broken away from a long continued classification of contents which



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developments in ophthalmology had made obsolete. It has brought into due prominence the ground work, the foundation upon which the student must of necessity build trustworthy knowledge in this field—namely, the Development (Embryology), Macroscopic and Microscopic Anatomy, and Physiology of the Eye, a well handled chapter on Optics and Physiological Optics, and exhaustive sections on present methods of examining the eye, especially for the detection and accurate correction of errors of refraction. It is in these chapters that are recorded the data concerning the recent and great strides in ophthalmology—a field of modern triumphs.

To Phis it is a gratification to know that these chapters come from the pen of Dr. Oliver. While in them he has incorporated the best advances made in this line, the keenest reader can find no hobby which has carried him away from conservative judgment. The estimate and relative importance he has placed upon the procedures of work are such as must commend themselves to the body

of practitioners in this specialty.

In Dr. Norris, the senior author of the work, Dr. Oliver has had a worthy associate, who in Part II. deals with Injuries and the various Diseases of the Eye, and the more common and important Operations on the Eye. Altogether, the work is one justly entitled to rank high in medical literature.

Those who know Dr. Oliver had not expected anything but a valuable book from him. For a number of years he has been on the Staff of several public and charitable institutions, as attending and consulting ophthalmic surgeon. Among these may be noted, the Wills Eye Hospital, Presbyterian Hospital, St. Agnes' Hospital, State Hospital for the Insane at Norristown, St. Timothy's Hospital, etc. This has given him a field of wide experience, and one in which he has improved the notable opportunity for carrying on much original investigation. His contributions to periodical literature have been frequent and valuable, made so by the untiring personality which he has thrown into his work.

Dr. Oliver is now the efficient president of the Philadelphia Alumni Chapter of Phi Delta Theta. His name has been a most frequently mentioned one in all the movements towards Phi Delta Theta ascendency in Philadelphia since the period of renewed activity in our University chapter there. He was one among the numerous Doctors

of Medicine connected with the Pennsylvania Zeta, so many of whom are yet the pride of the local chapter and its faithful allies. Under him the Philadelphia alumni expect to hold monthly "smokers" at the active chapter's house, 3250 Chestnut St., throughout the college year. A strong effort is being made to enlist all the Phis of the city and suburbs on the roll of the alumni chapter, over forty are there now, and by the aid of the new catalogue it is expected to double the number. Dr. Oliver's plan contemplates the strong support of the local alumni in behalf of the undergraduate chapter, and if his policy receives the continuance of the indorsement which it has now, it will help most materially to identify Phi Delta Theta with the highest type of success in the University of Pennsylvania.

## THISTLE DOWN.

These are verses light and idle,
Roaming without check or bridle.
Thistle-down at random drifting,
Through the warm winds gently sifting.
Verses sportive, verses airy,
Playthings of some wanton fairy;
Vagrant on the vagrant breeze,
Seeking nothing but to please.

-In the Dartmouth Literary Monthly.

THE ILLINOIS ETA OF PHI DELTA THETA.

## THE ILLINOIS ETA OF PHI DELTA THETA.

The circle of Phi Delta Theta has been widened. A new link has been forged in the chain which identifies the Fraternity with the universities under State patronage and control. To Vermont, Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Texas, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, Kansas, Nebraska and California has been added another who comes well able to sustain her place amongst this company—Illinois. The University which bears the name of the third State of the Union has become the home of the Illinois Eta of Phi Delta Theta.

The active chapters, especially of Zeta Province, are already in possession of a considerable fund of information concerning this University, received through the "Statement concerning the University of Illinois" sent out by the Alpha Nu society, and through the private SCROLL circular issued in November. To the alumni and to such of our active members who did not become acquainted with the facts through these, an account of the University is necessary to the proper introduction of this new chapter. Its members are not content with a simple recognition of the rites which brought them into the Phi household, but are desirous that the University which they represent shall be known to all, as one entitled to be called a representative institution of higher education, and a worthy home for Phi Delta Theta.

## THE UNIVERSITY.

An account of the origin of the University cannot be better prefaced than by the following paragraph from the "History" given in the University Catalogue:

"Unlike most of the States admitted into the Union after its formation, Illinois had no State University during the early years of its history. The attempts made from time to time to found one were not successful in the legislature. But at length a number of public spirited citizens, conspicuous among whom was Professor J. B. Turner, of Jacksonville, vigorously agitated the question and earnestly advocated the establishment by the State of an institution in which instruction might be given "upon all those studies and sciences of whatever sort which tend to throw light upon any art or employment which any student may desire to master, or upon any duty which he may be called to perform, or which may tend to secure his moral, civil, social and industrial perfection as a man." These ideas were embodied in a bill introduced in the General Assembly in 1855, but owing to the late position on the calendar the bill failed to become a law."

Nothing then resulted in this line until 1862 Illinois profited by the Congressional act of 1862 which gave to each State land scrip in quantity equal to 30,000 acres for each senator and representative in Congress.

"Under this act Illinois received scrip for 480,000 acres of land subject to location in any surveyed but unoccupied part of the public domain. At this time the market value of the scrip was very low, and great difficulties seemed to present themselves in locating land upon it. But 25,000 acres were thus located in Nebraska and Minnesota, while the remainder of the scrip was sold for what could be obtained. In compensation for waiting something more than a quarter of a century, the land thus secured has added and will add to the endowment fund nearly as much as was obtained for the vastly greater proportion of the scrip originally sold. The entire principal sum received from the sale of scrip and of land is held inviolate as endowment, the income only being available for current expenditures.

"To secure the location of the University several counties entered into sharp competition by proposing to donate to its use named sums of money, or its equivalent. Champaign county offered a large brick building, erected for a seminary, and nearly completed, about 1,000 acres of land for a campus and adjoining farms, and \$100,000 in county bonds. To this the Illinois Central railroad added \$50,000 in freight."

It will thus be seen that the institution had its origin in common with others in other states as one "whose leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, \* \* \* \* in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions of life."

Thus it was that Cornell was founded, and through the generosity and benefactions of private friends has become the famed Cornell University of to-day. Thus it was that Ohio Agricultural and Mechanical College was founded, and through its wise location and management developed in 1878 into the Ohio State University, which in 1892 was bequeathed a support by the State, which in equipment and income ranks it among the first of State institutions. So the Illinois Industrial University was founded. It claims to be the first university in this country in which shop instruction was given, such having been begun in 1870. In the same year the privileges of the University were opened to women. In 1885, at the request of the alumni and officers of the University, the legislature changed its name to University of Illinois. The public, informed as well as uninformed, had so often associated the old name "Industrial" with the idea of a penal or reformatory institution that it detracted from the reputation to which it was entitled.

Up to 1890 the total income of the University since its founding in 1867 was \$449,000. By the Act of 1887 it received from Congress the income of \$15,000 increased \$1,000 yearly until it shall amount to \$25,000, which sum it will receive annually thereafter. The endowment income of the University is now \$100,000 annually. Legislative appropriations add to this \$75,000 to \$100,000 a year. In income it ranks with the Universities of Ohio, Michi-

gan, Wisconsin and Minnesota.

The buildings are: (1.) Main Building, containing recitation and lecture rooms, chapel, natural history museum, library, art gallery, and halls for literary societies; (2.) Mechanical Building, supplied with engines, lathes, varied machinery, testing laboratory and wood working department; (3.) Chemical Laboratory, with apparatus and desks sufficient to accommodate 250 students at the same time; (4.) Natural Science Building, erected in 1892, at a cost of \$60,000; (5.) Military Hall and Gymnasium; (6.) Engineering Buildings, to cost \$180,000, are now in course of erection. The legislature is asked for appropriations for a Library and for a Museum Building. The total assets of the University are estimated at \$1,182,000.

The University comprises four colleges, offering fifteen distinct courses of four years each. These, with the School of Art and Design and the Graduate School, are

as follows:

- I. THE COLLEGE OF LITERATURE.
- II. THE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE.
- III. THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING.
- IV. THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE.
- V. School of Art and Design.

VI. GRADUATE SCHOOL.

The elective system is pursued throughout the literary and scientific courses.

While the institution has achieved its greatest successes and is best known through its work in the scientific and engineering departments, 65 per cent. of its students being enrolled therein, yet it sustains an equal standard of work in the department of literature and art. It is yet young in the enlarged sphere of work upon which it has entered, but in name and fame it is bound to be soon allied





# UNIVERSITY





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with the State Universities about it—Wisconsin, Minnesota, Missouri, Michigan and Indiana. Located in a State as populous and strong as Illinois, it will not be overshadowed by its neighbors, Northwestern and Chicago. Neither of these have, or claim, State financial patronage, and with the great city of "magnificent enterprises," and the State to draw from, none will lack patronage.

In 1888 the University of Illinois enrolled 327 students. Last year the number reached 728, of whom over 600 were males, and by classes from senior to freshman num-

bered respectively 50, 61, 113 and 192.

Up to December, 1891, the University was emphatically an anti-fraternity institution, chiefly, however, through one man, then its official head. Every student, upon entering the University, was required to sign a promise not to be connected with any secret organization during his residence at the University. Before graduation, he was required to sign a statement that he had not been so connected. On December 10, 1891, this "iron-clad" was abolished by resolution of the Board of Trustees, and since then no restrictions have been placed upon the operations of the chartered Greek letter societies.

The field is a peculiarly good one for the establishment of a chapter of Phi Delta Theta. Up to the present time the only fraternities that have entered have been  $K \Sigma$ ,  $\Sigma X$  and  $\Phi K \Sigma$ , the first two of which have maintained success-

, ful chapters. The  $\Phi K \Sigma$  has not done so well.

February 15, 1893, the Alpha Nu (local) was established and at once secured high rank through the character of the men composing it. To the chapter and its Reporter it will be left to more specifically detail the positions and honors which are usually taken as indices of social and intellectual worth. Suffice it to say that the testimony on this line was so explicit that in passing on the application the question at once resolved itself into one as to the character of the University. Early in the fall the society prepared its "Statement concerning the University of Illinois," and November 4th the SCROLL issued a private circular touching on the movement.

The application, late in December, received the unanimous approving vote of the Council, Province Presidents and Zeta Province chapters, and in addition the sanction of all but one of the remaining chapters who sent in votes,—surely a sufficient endorsement of the application.

While the charter was granted in December, it was de-



cided that the Installation should not take place until some time in the succeeding term, so that full arrangements for the same could be made. Brother Hugh Th. Miller, Secretary of the General Council, at once proceeded with arrangements for the occasion, and to him credit is due for the eminently satisfactory manner in which the event of events transpired.

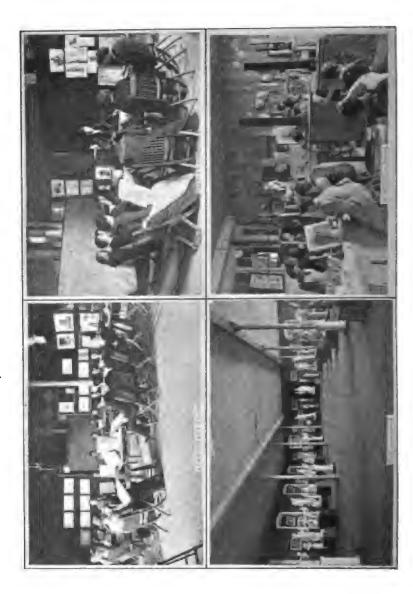
# THE INSTALLATION.

On Friday morning, February 9th, a delegation comprising almost the entire Illinois Epsilon chapter, arrived in Champaign, gay with white and blue ribbons, laden with mysterious packages, and in charge of a more mysterious chest. These, and all other visiting Phis, were met at the station by members of the busy chapter-to-be and escorted to their hall and the hotel. Before long six-and-twenty bearers of the sword and shield, from Iowa, Missouri, Indiana and Illinois, were assembled to witness the rites and participate in the festivities that marked the installation of the Illinois Eta.

Two of the older members, graduate students and tutors in the University, whose duties would not allow them to be present in the afternoon, were rushed through the ordeal at once. The Regents had kindly granted to the boys who were undergraduates leave of absence from recitations for the day. After lunch these were inducted into the mysteries of the first act of the initiation rites. When this was done, it was time to disperse and prepare for the festivities of the evening. The visiting Phis were then hurried off to the various quarters of Urbana and Champaign in which dwelt the charming young women they were to meet and escort to the banquet and ball. Some of the visitors were so bewildered by the puzzling topography of the twin cities that it was only after great difficulty that they later retraced their steps.

The banquet was held at the Walker Opera House. The floor of the parquet was cleared and tables were set in the form of a Greek cross, decorated with white and blue and with white carnations. The elaborate menu was interspersed with speeches, fraternity songs, the yell, and all the other well-known attendant features of the typical Phi banquet. There were forty couples present. The orchestra on the stage filled with music the pauses between the

toasts, which were as follows:



- Greeting......W. C. Tackett, Illinois Eta Sirs, you are very welcome here to-night. It must appear in other ways than words, Therefore, I scant this breathing courtesy.
- II. The Phi Delta Theta, I. R. Hitt, Jr., Treas. G. C.

  A name that shall live forever,
  Like the leaf of the immortelle.
- III. We Fellows.....W. B. Merrill, Illinois Epsilon Yes, we are the boys, always joking with tongue or with pen, And sometimes I wonder will we ever be men.
- IV. Realization.....II. S. Piatt, Illinois Eta lt is a miserable thing to live in suspense. It is the life of a spider.
  - V. All sorts and Conditions of Phi's......
    Archie L. Bowen, Illinois Epsilon
    We have done some duty to the State of Venice."
- VI. The Goat......Sherman R. Duffy, Illinois Eta And if thou hast no other name by which to know thee, I'll call thee Devil.
- - IX. The Ladies....John M. Cleary, Illinois Epsilon A creature not too bright nor good, For human nature's daily food, For transient sorrows, simple wiles, Praise, blame, love, kisses, tears, and smiles.
    - X. Bon Voyage...... Hugh Th. Miller, Sec. G. C.
      "Farewell, if ever fondest prayer,
      For other's weal availed on high;
      Mine will not all be lost in air,
      But waft thy name beyond the sky."



In addition to these, brief speeches were made by Brothers Sjöblom, Ewing, Madill, McCarty and others.

At midnight the floor was cleared for dancing, and the grand march was followed by a program of sixteen dances,

the sixteenth ending shortly after three o'clock.

On Saturday morning the remaining acts of the initiation ceremony were completed in due form, and the new chapter was formally installed, given its charter, and fairly smothered under a heap of sage advice, congratulations and good wishes. The delegation from Bloomington packed its chest and departed at noon, and the others left soon afterward. The new chapter was well received, the Sigma Chi's, across the way, sending cordial congratulations and letting off fireworks in honor of their new rivals. The local papers noticed all the events of the two days at great length, and the University weekly devoted considerable space to the matter in its next issue.

The work of initiation was carried on under the direction of the Illinois Epsilon chapter, with Richard Little as President, W. B. Merrill as Reporter, John LeCrone as Secretary, Wave Miller as Warden, Archie Brown as Historian and Rea Miller as Chaplain, assisted by the Secretary of the General Council. The extraordinary features introduced by the team from Bloomington into the ritual were very highly appreciated by the visiting members, as

well as by the initiates.

The new chapter begins its existence in a handsome suite of five rooms, occupying the entire second floor over 10 Main street. More than half the members already possess handsome new badges. Their familiarity with fraternity affairs in general, and the history and condition of Phi Delta Theta in particular, is something astonishing. They seem to have committed Baird's Manual to memory along with the alphabet. Their high rank in social, athletic and literary circles insures them a successful career from the On the football team, in the literary societies, on the college paper, in the class room and class organizations they stand high, and in many cases clearly first. There is a genius for work, a spirit of perseverance, an esprit de corps in the chapter, much of which has been developed during their long and plucky fight for a charter, that will make the Illinois Eta a chapter to be proud of. They have gone to work with a will and have just initiated four good men.

The charter members of the chapter are: Herman S.



KEEPERS OF GOAT-INITIATION OF ILLINOIS ETA.

Piatt, '93; Bernard Victor Swenson, '93; William C. Tackett, '94; Scott Williams, '94; Henry Ezra Chester, '95; Sherman R. Duffy, '95; Frank Henry Hamilton, '95; Armin Harms, '95; Reuben Merrill Hobbs, '95; Frederick Clarkson Beem, '97; John Bowen, '97; Elmer Edgar Dunlap, 97, Ind. Δ; Frank Foster Gilchrist, '97; Conrad Frederick Kruse, '97; Henry Herman Meyer, '97.

Visiting Phis present at the initiation and banquet were: Lewis B. Probasco, Ill. E, '91; J. M. Cleary, Ill. E, '94; Spencer Ewing, Ill. E, '94; J. H. Le Crone, Ill. E, '94; Richard Little, Ill. E, '94; Wave Miller, Ill. E, '94; W. B. Probasco, Ill. E, '94; L. G. Whitmore, Ill. E, '94; Archie L. Bowen, Ill. E, '95; A. S. Langstaff, Ill. E, '95; N. Walworth Marsh, Ill. E, '95; W. B. Merrill, Ill. E, '95; Rea Miller, Ill. E, '95; S. S. Holder, Ill. E, '96; W. B. Wright, Ill. E, '97; Isaac R. Hitt, Jr., Ill. A, '88; S. T. Sutton, Ill. A, '91; C. D. Reimers, Ill. A, '95; T. M. Fowler, Ill. A, '97; Ralph McCarty, Mo. Γ, '96; C. A. Madill, Mo. Γ, '96; P. G. Sjöblom, Mich. A, '89; Geo. Pence, Ind. B, '72; P. E. Olmstead, Ill. Z, '94; W. J. Matthews, Ind. Z, '95; Hugh Th. Miller, Ind. Γ, '88.

Letters and telegrams of congratulation and regret were read at the banquet from Robert Morrison, Ohio A, '49, founder of the Order; Benjamin Harrison, Ohio A, '52; J. C. S. Blackburn, Ky. A, '57; A E. Stevenson, Ky. A, '60; Hilton U. Brown, Ind. F, '80; Dwight N. Marble, Ky. A, '82, H. G. C.; John Edwin Brown, Ohio B, '84, Editor of the SCROLL; Fred S. Ball, Ohio Z, '88, P. G. C, President of Beta Province; W. W. Quarles, Ala. A, '87; W. R. Brown, Minn. A, '89; Presidents of Zeta Province, the

Alumni Chapter at Chicago, and others.



# THE ILLINOIS EPSILON.

The Illinois Wesleyan University is located at Bloomington, near the geographical center of the State. The city has a high, healthful situation, and is noted for its beauty and cleanliness. It was in this "Evergreen City" of Illinois that a number of public spirited men determined to found a university, and the organization dates back to the year 1850. The Methodist Church was and is to-day the patron of this school, although its doors are open to students of all denominations. A preparatory school was soon added and the departments flourished till 1855, when financial embarrassment overtook the management. In 1857 the halls were again opened, and since then the renown of Illinois Wesleyan has spread throughout the State.

Under the present management, with Dr. W. H. Wilder as president, the endowment has inercased to \$300,000, and the University yearly enrolls in all departments 1,100 students, being the second in point of enrollment in the State.

The Wesleyan has three fraternities and two sororities, as follows: Phi Gamma Delta, 1867; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 1873; Kappa Alpha Theta, 1875; Phi Delta Theta, 1878, and Sigma Chi, 1883.

Chapters of Delta Tau Delta, (1876), and Phi Delta Phi

have existed in the school, but are now extinct.

On the 20th of June, 1878, the General Council granted a charter to J. A. Wakefield of Indiana Beta, C. H. Sherwood of Illinois Beta and M. L. Johnson to found and establish a chapter of Phi Delta Theta at the Illinois Weslevan University. Meetings had been held before the granting of the charter, and the young organization sprang into existence with a healthy membership. The first meetings were held in various recitation rooms and offices of the University, and the social feature of the organization received but little attention. The young chapter did not seem able to send a delegate to the 1878 Convention at Wooster, Ohio, but a steadily increasing membership, and a final removal of many fraternal difficulties, opened the way for the Indianapolis Convention. J. A. Fullenwider was chosen delegate of the chapter and ably represented He brought back great stores of pent up enthusiasm which every member of the chapter felt. The effect was that club rooms were at once secured in the heart of our flourishing city and fitted up in excellent style. These



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quarters proved to be only temporary, and in 1881 a suite of desirable rooms was secured in the Durley Theatre building, which faces the court house and has the most commanding site of any building in the city. These proved to be ideal rooms, and not till 1893 were they changed. Upon the removal of the large and valuable laboratory of H. S. Swayne to Bloomington the spot so dear to the heart of every Phi was vacated.

In 1880 the chapter organized a quartette which was noted throughout Illinois. It was composed of Bros. Higbee, Jones, Staltz and English. Their services were in demand on all occasions, and made the Fraternity famous.

In 1882 Thomas H. Simmons was delegate to the National Convention at Richmond, and W. A. Jones served in a similar capacity at the Nashville meeting. At this Convention T. H. Simmons was elected President of Zeta Province. The year 1889 was a splendid one for Illinois Epsilon. W. L. Miller had been a delegate to the New York Convention, and by earnest labor the next Convention was secured for Bloomington. Those who were at the 1889 meeting testify to the splendid results of the coming together and the hospitality of Illinois Phis. At this Convention the chapter was again honored with the Province Presidency, W. L. Miller being selected for the office, which he held till the Atlanta Convention. Lewis B. Probasco was chosen delegate, and represented us at the southern capital.

The policy of this chapter is, and always has been, very conservative. Strict merit is ever held out to the students as our standard. Initiation into Phi Delta Theta is a quick passport into Bloomington society. We are represented in the city by nearly forty Phis—the leading men of the city. We were proud to have the nation look to our city and select one of its most enthusiastic Phis as Vice President, and at a banquet given by the chapter in his honor, soon after his election, Vice President Stevenson uttered words of encouragement and commendation which will be preserved among the archives of our Fraternity. We were again pleased to see Bro. J. S. Ewing selected as Minister to Belgium immediately after. The law office which they have left is filled by three worthy brother Phis. leading lawyers, doctors, editors and professional men of Bloomington are among our frequent attendants.

In college honors we have shared with other Fraternities. These we have always sought to acquire by honest

merit, and not by college demagogy. Our men have had good places on contests and in classes.

Illinois Epsilon, through W. H. Stillhamer and J. B. Mecham, was instrumental in reviving Michigan Alpha. In 1882, Bro. I. N. Van Pelt instituted Kansas Alpha at Lawrence, Kansas, while the chapter which has just been instituted at the University of Illinois represents the hard work of some of the members of the present Epsilon chapter.

We are ably represented in the Faculty by Prof. D. D. Darrah, whose portrait appears in this issue of The Scroll, and who ranks among the first elocutionists of the State.

Illinois Epsilon has initiated over two hundred men, who to-day do honor to the Fraternity and the chapter they represent. Of this number only four are dead.

The present chapter, which is composed of seventeen active men, has a flat at 418 North Main street, where a dancing hall, card room, assembly rooms and all modern conveniences abound.

In our college and social affairs, no Fraternity in school attempts to rival us, either in elegance or frequency of entertainments, while city society receives the members in a most cordial manner. No organization of any kind in the city numbers as many young lady friends as does Phi Delta Theta.

Plans are being laid to have a large alumni chapter organized soon, and active interest is being taken in raising money for a chapter house, and by the time winter snow flies again, we expect to be able to enjoy the blaze and bask in the warmth and smiles of our own chapter fireside.

W. B. MERRILL.

## DUNCAN U. FLETCHER.

### TENNESSEE ALPHA.

Jacksonville, Florida, has been brought to the notice of the people of the United States most prominently in recent months by reason of the unsavory Corbett-Mitchell prize fight. Yet Jacksonville has a citizen of whom she is warmly and justly proud, if for no other reason, on account of the strong effort which he made to prevent the occurrence of the much advertised "mill." This citizen is Mayor Duncan U. Fletcher. Mayor Fletcher used his utmost endeavors to circumvent those who favored permission of the fight. The act of the Council authorizing this "glove contest" had to be passed over his veto. Associated with him in the effort to suppress the fight was another Tennessee Alpha Phi, H. B. Phillips, Judge of the Criminal Court of Record of Duval county.

The way in which Jacksonville speaks of Mayor Fletcher is shown in this clipping from the *Times-Union*, which is but one of a number of similar articles that have appeared:

"The municipal affairs of Jacksonville are in a most wholesome condition under the able administration of Mayor Duncan U. Fletcher. Mr. Fletcher is responsible for the present city charter, which restored to the people of Jacksonville the right to choose its officers by ballot. He won this splendid charter by his earnest and brilliant work in the house while a representative from Duval county, at the last meeting of the legislature. In appreciation of this work an election was ordered for July 21, when Mr. Fletcher was elected as mayor of this city by a handsome majority, both democrats and republicans being his supporters. Previous to this time he has been identified with and a leading spirit in the affairs of the city, having been first elected to the city council in 1885, and having served continuously since in a way that won the admiration and confidence of the people. Georgia-that state so historic in men of brains—the kind mother, who cradled in her loving arms Alex. Stephens, who bore the matchless Ben Hill and the loyal and brave Robert Tombs, et al., et al.—is the birth place of Dun-He came to Jacksonville in 1881, a graduate of can U. Fletcher. Vanderbilt University of '80. In this city he entered upon the practice of law, his chosen profession, which he has followed with increasing popularity and marked ability ever since—the firm now being Fletcher & Wurts, one of the strongest in the state. While at college young Fletcher made a reputation as a brilliant speaker and logical reasoner. So much so that he was acknowledged as one of the most forcible orators in his college society and in the moot courts of the legal department, and was chosen to make the oration before his class of brother graduates, and afterwards selected to deliver the alumni



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address, by the alumni association, in 1882. He is now but 34 years of age, has the confidence of the people, the courage of his convictions and a loyalty to friends, which with his brilliant personal gifts of speech and brains, render his services to the state and city as invaluable. The future looks bright and rose-tinted, for the Hon. Mr. Fletcher and the Times-Union would not be surprised that in due time his clarion voice will be heard as the colleague of the law-makers at Washington, D. C., representing the prosperous state of Florida in a way that she will be heard of in the council of nations. All enterprises tending to advance the weal of Jacksonville and the state receive a helping hand from this gentleman, as well as the co-operation of his name and influence. He is the leader of what might be called the new era of better government, and public improvements in Jacksonville. Under his administration Bay street is being handsomely paved with vitrified brick, and many other improvements of like character inaugurated. By vote of over two-thirds of the qualified electors, the issue of one million dollars of bonds was authorized last October, the proceeds to be devoted to public improvements. Bay street, when finished, will look as pretty and clean as a freshly-mown lawn, and the whole city will be, likewise, under this wholesome, prudent and reliable condition of affairs adopted by the mayor and the present council. which council embodies some of the foremost business men in Jack-The present city government is worthy of all praise, and the sonville. principle of this paper is to give honor to whom honor is due, which, in this instance, is most willingly done. Therefore at the beginning of the bright new year of 1894 the Times-Union bows flatteringly in recognition of the good and valuable service done by Mayor Duncan U. Fletcher and his able lieutenants. Jacksonville needed him. enforces the law impartially, but with firmness, and under its authority, and enjoys the unlimited confidence and esteem of the citizens."

His record in Vanderbilt University as a student and Phi were no less meritorious than those which have character-

ized his professional career in his adopted city.

Entering Vanderbilt, he was initiated by the Tennessee Alpha in his Sophomore year, he continued an active member of the chapter four years—until 1880 in the Literary Department and in 1880-'81 in the Department of Law. During this time, he was elected to many positions of college honor, as contestant for the Young Oratorical Medal, contestant on Founder's Oratorical Medal, Class Representative at Commencement, 1880; Attorney of the Commencement Moot Court, 1881, and Orator of the Alumni Association in 1882.

In Jacksonville he has been associated with not a few Phis, of whom the city contains a goodly number. He has retained an intelligent interest in his old chapter at Vanderbilt, was a contributor to its chapter house fund, and when the old Florida Alumni Association was formed, in 1886, he was elected its President. The Fraternity is proud to note and record the achievements of Phis of such integrity and worth as Mayor Fletcher.

## SOME RECOLLECTIONS OF TWO ALPHAS.

Editor of The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta:

The suggestions embodied in your circular letter, which has just come to hand, have revived some reminiscenses of "auld lang syne" which will always be to me, so long as life does abide, among the most pleasant and hallowed recollections of my early life—treasured memories, "like violets covered with snow."

My own connection with our phenomenal Fraternity began forty years ago this spring, when near the close of my Freshman year in the Indiana State University, I was admitted to membership in the Indiana Alpha. The Order was then little more than five years old, and I think our chapter was second only in age to the Maternal Alpha, established in Miami University, at Oxford, Ohio, in 1848. I recollect that Bros. Josiah Miller (a native of Chester, South Carolina), and Mr. Elliot, both of whom had graduated from the University in 1851 or '52, and supplemented their preparation for active life by graduation from the Poughkeepsie Law School; left Bloomington in September, 1853, just after I entered college, and taking with them the necessary outfit for a well equipped printing office, went to Lawrence, Kansas, and started the Kansas Free State: which was one among the very early newspapers issued in what was then (and for some years afterwards) known as Their membership in the Order probbleeding Kansas. ably began with the establishment of Indiana Alpha, and the date of their graduation would indicate that the chapter was established as early as 1849 or '50.

The existence of the Order in Indiana University had been kept sub rosa until the spring of 1854, and was, probably, unknown to the Faculty. It may be that, the great and good Dr. Andrew Wylie, who was the illustrious President of the institution from its first organization until his death, in 1851 or '52, was opposed to secret societies, but as I did not enter college until afterwards, I have no au-

thentic information upon that subject.

Early in the spring of 1854, the members having provided themselves with the regulation badges, created something of a sensation by their simultaneous appearance wearing the decorations, at the usual Sunday afternoon lecture delivered by the President in the college chapel. I was myself present, and as much surprised as any of the others who did not know what they meant; but during the week following was notified by a friend that I had already been elected a member of the Order.

If the Faculty had any objections to the introduction of secret Fraternities into the University they were not made manifest; and the character of the young men, as students, who participated in this first public announcement of their connection with the Order, was of such high standing, as to forestall all anxiety as to the character of the Fraternity.

Among them, I recall Robert L. Ruddick, then a Senior, long since deceased—a genial, lovable young man of marked ability—of whom I never think except with pleasure; Hon. John W. Foster, so long distinguished in American diplomacy for his services as U. S. Minister Resident at Mexico, Russia and Spain, and more recently as Secretary of State in the Cabinet of President Harrison,—wonder if either of them knew that the other was a *Phi Delta Theta?* [Assuredly they did.—Editor.]

Col. W. C. L. Taylor, of La Fayette, Indiana, who seven years afterwards enlisted in the army as a private; was elected a Lieutenant at the organization of his company, and subsequently attained the rank of Colonel of his regiment (either the 20th or 21st Indiana), which was one of the hardest fought among all the splendid regiments sent to the front from our State:

Hon. D. D. Banta, who long ago attained honorable distinction on the Circuit Court bench, and is now Dean of the Indiana University Law School.

There were some others, but forty years is a long span of life, and taxes one's memory as to minute details.

One other, as I recall them, was Robert I. Morrison, who was the eldest son of the late Hon. Jno. I. Morrison, at one time Treasurer of State, and for many years President of the Board of Trustees of Indiana University, and one of its early Professors. Bro. Morrison, who was a young man of decided talent—since prominent in engineering—took a part of his college course at Miami University, of which his father was an alumnus, and I believe joined the Order there.

Rev. J. C. Miller, and Rev. Geo. Miller (brother of the above named Josiah), who left and graduated at Centre College, Kentucky, were both members at this time.

Rev. Dr. Joseph S. Jenckes, now living in Indianapolis, and Bro. James L. Mitchell—a splendid man, who was an ex-Mayor of Indianapolis, and who died on the 28th of February last—were, as I recollect, slightly younger in

their membership than those before mentioned.

The only rival Fraternity that had an organization in Indiana University during my three years residence there was the Beta Theta Pi. In point of numbers they were about equal to our chapter; but, in all other respects, of course we thought them greatly inferior. (Inter nos), I have since entertained grave doubts as to the unanimous concurrence of the outside barbarians in this opinion. They, at least, had the capacity to stimulate a healthful rivalry.

The Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity was represented in the University at that time by a single member, who wore a badge, but I never heard of his making any effort to es-

tablish a chapter.

The only other chapter of our Fraternity in Indiana at the time of which I write, was the Indiana Beta, in Wabash College, at Crawfordsville. There, under the administration of the venerable and illustrious Dr. White, who was the immediate predecessor of the eminent ex-President Dr. Tuttle, secret Fraternities were prohibited. Of course the organization was unknown to the Faculty, as well as to all other students except its own members. Judge W. A. Woods, of the United States Circuit Court, was one of its members; as was also Gen. John C. Black, ex-Commissioner of Pensions, and now Member of Congress at large from the State of Illinois, and I think Hon. Byron K. Elliott, ex-Judge of the Supreme Court of Indiana, also belonged to that chapter. It was some years later than those of which I write, before any student at Wabash wore his Fraternity badge: but Mr. H. H. Boudinot, of Terre Haute, a prominent Attorney in Insurance, who was subsequently a member of the Indiana Beta, could give more positive information as to this.

In September, 1856, after the close of my Junior year in Indiana University, most of my more intimate associates having graduated and "moved on", I was inspired with a desire to see something of the then New Northwest, and obtained the consent of my father, Joseph S. Jenckes, Sr., who was for many years a member of the

Board of Trustees of Indiana University, to accompany his old friend Dr. Daniel Read (who was more than *fifty* years in getting through college) in his move to the University of Wisconsin, where he had accepted a Professorship, which he held until he went to Columbia as President of the University of Missouri.

I was admitted to the Senior class and met as one of my classmates an ex-student of Dartmouth, who wore the *Delta Kappa Epsilon* badge; and a graduate of Indiana University, who went there as Tutor of the Preparatory Depart-

ment, wearing the badge of Beta Theta Pi.

I had kept up a correspondence with the Hon. John W. Foster ever since his graduation from Indiana University, in 1855, after which he went to Harvard Law School.

One of the results of this correspondence was a decision to plant a chapter of *Phi Delta Theta* in the University of Wisconsin, which I predicted, even at that early day, was destined to a great future. The State of Wisconsin is of the same age as *Phi Delta Theta*, and the University one year younger. My early prediction has long since been amply verified, as the Faculty of the University now numbers about *one hundred* instructors, and its last annual catalogue enrolled about *twelve hundred* students.

Having decided to establish the chapter, we determined to act promptly, as I did not know but the other Fraternities, represented by the above mentioned badges, might preoccupy the field, which was then somewhat limited as to material, owing to the small number of students in the

regular college classes.

Gen. Foster—who acquired his military title afterwards, by his distinguished services in the army, before entering the field of Diplomacy—was then in Indiana, and he procured and forwarded to me the necessary documents early in 1857, which authorized me to act in the premises alone, as I was then the only member of the Fraternity in the State of Wisconsin.

Having elected the Hon. Wm. F. Vilas, by a majority of one (one of the best students with whom I ever came in contact, as also a noble young man), then a member of the Junior class, and since Post Master General and Secretary of the Interior in President Cleveland's first Cabinet, and now United States Senator from Wisconsin, I announced to him the fact of his election, and having explained to him the scope and purpose of the Order so far as I could do so, I had but little difficulty in inducing him to consent to become a Phi Delta Theta.

"Solitary and Alone," I initiated Bro. Vilas into the Fra-He and I soon afterwards elected and initiated Bro. G. S. P. Stillman, who was two years ago, and I presume still is, a prosperous attorney in New York City. Then, according to my best recollection, we took in Bro. John W. Slaughter, of Culpepper Court House, Va., now in the Insurance business in St. Louis; and Bro. I. W. McKeever, who was two years, as a Congregational cler-

gyman, resident somewhere in Michigan.

Soon after the establishment of the Wisconsin Alpha, I graduated and returned to Indiana, leaving these newly made Brothers to work out its destiny, which they did most successfully until the interruptions incident to the Bro. Vilas himself took a *military course*, enlisting as a private (as I have been told) and attaining the rank of Colonel. I believe the chapter experienced a serious interruption in those years, but so great was the vigilance of its members that it proved to be simply a case of suspended animation, and when the "cruel war was over" it realized an exultant resurrection, in the enjoyment of which it has ever since continued to prosper.

The Hon. John H. Lathrop, who was at that time the beloved and honored Chancellor of the University of Wisconsin, was a graduate of Yale, an accomplished gentleman and a learned scholar, and a man of too enlarged views and varied experiences of life to participate in the prejudice that was then so common against Fraternities; as was also his eminent successor, Dr. Henry E. Barnard, afterwards President of Columbia, in New York City. This prejudice was largely founded upon the mistaken impression that to foster them was to encourage an imperium in imperio. may be true, as alleged, that some of the Fraternities are organized for purposes that are antagonistic to the old, established ideas of college discipline, but I am sure that all of those that cultivate an ideal so exalted as was that of Phi Delta Theta, in the days of my active participation in the Order, are decided "aids to college government."

My experience in early life as a student in three colleges and an occasional visitor at several others, afforded more than ordinary opportunity to contrast the effects of different systems of college government and discipline. And the result of both my experience and observation, is a confirmed conviction that, as soon as young men are old enough and sufficiently advanced in their studies to secure admittance to any of the regular classes in a reputable

American college, the further you trust them upon their honor, the easier you will find it to maintain a high standard of decorum in the institution in which they are students.

An unwillingness to endure a paramount dominion which is thought to be unnecessary seems to be a legitimate inheritance of every native American, and sometimes manifests itself at a period of life which might be regarded as

somewhat premature.

The best Fraternities are great conservators of morals, and being so, are undoubted aids to college government. They stimulate the pride and ambition and encourage esprit de corps among their own members, and promote a laudable ambition among the younger outsiders to emulate an example that may ultimate in their participation in such desirable association, and at the same time stimulate and encourage a generous rivalry among competitors, that is calculated to discipline the very faculties that in their full development are most conducive to ultimate success in the practical experiences of after life. But you must be sure, if you would perpetuate the high standard hitherto attained by our Fraternity as a helpful instrumentality in college government to preserve that standard at the highest attainable level, and never allow a blot to stain the scroll, nor a bar sinister to cast its shadow athwart the escutcheon of Phi Delta Theta.

Let each one of the active members of the Order make this his own chief concern, and you will secure and retain the perennial love of all your surviving predecessors, and your posterity will rise up and call you blessed.

Sincerely yours in the Bond,

Wm. G. Jenckes, Indiana Alpha, 1854-'56, Wisconsin Alpha, 1857.

# LETTERS FROM ALUMNI.

#### BOSTON.

The second annual banquet of Massachusetts Alpha Alumni was held at the Parker House, Boston, on the night of March 1st. Although the attendance was not as large as was expected, those who were present showed how widely the Fraternity was distributed, representatives being present from Maine Alpha, Massachusetts Alpha and Beta, Rhode Island Alpha, Pennsylvania Delta, Ohio Epsilon, Indiana Zeta, Kentucky Alpha, Tennessee Alpha and Beta and California Alpha and Beta. guests of the evening were the delegates from the neighboring active chapters, Messrs. R. J. Gulliver, Massachusetts Alpha '94; N. H. Weeks, Massachusetts Beta '94; and A. M. McCrillis, Rhode Island Alpha '97. Telegrams and letters of regret were read from Judge J. B. Elam, Ohio Alpha'70, of Indianapolis, Province President J. M. Mayer, of New York, and Mr. B. F. Hurd, of Boston, besides others from Ohio residing in Boston and vicinity.

The Banquet was preceded by a business meeting which was called to order by the President of the Chapter, Rev. Irving C. Tomlinson, Ohio Epsilon '80, as President; D. J. Gallert, Maine Alpha '93, as Secretary; W. W. Case, Pennsylvania Delta '84, as Treasurer; Dwight N. Marble, Kentucky Alpha, '82, as Reporter and F. M. Parcells, California Alpha '91, as Warden. The officers were elected members of the Executive Committee and it was decided to hold meetings of the chapter bi-monthly. The chapter then adjourned to the banquet rooms and devoted the balance of the meeting to a more enjoyable business meeting, the discussion of the accompanying menu:

" Now they will cat, ye gods, how they will cat,"

MENU.

BLUEIGINTS ON SHELL

SOUPS

Mock Turtle

Consomme, Jardiniere

FISH
Broiled Savannah Shad, Maitre d'Hotel

REMOVES

Fillet of Beef, aux Champignons

Roast Capon

Chicken Croquettes, with Peas
Lamb Cutlets, Tomato Sauce

ENTREES

Vol au Vent, of McDonald

Compote of Pears, a la Conde

Raisins

#### SWERTS

Frozen Pudding Charlotte Russe Sultana Roll, Claret Sauce Madeira Wine Jelly

#### DESSERT

Oranges

Bananas

as Grapes
Ice Cream Sherbert

Coffee

Olives

Cakes

TOASTS

#### TOASTMASTER:

#### Rev. Inving C. Tomlinson, Ohio Epsilon

"The Fraternity,"	DWIGHT N. MARBLE, Kentucky Alpha
" Why are we here?"	A. P. RECCORD, Rhode Island Alpha
" Phis in Business.".	W. W. CASE, Pennsylvania Delta
" Phis in College,"	F. M. PARCELLS, California Alpha
"California Beta,"	

Our New England Chapters, by delegates from Colby, Williams, Amherst and Brown,

Bro. Tomlinson made an admirable toastmaster, and his introduction of the speakers was almost as much enjoyed as the speakers themselves. In response to the toast "Our New England Chapters," Bros. Gulliver of Williams, Weeks of Amherst and McCrillis of Brown gave an account of their respective colleges and chapters, showing them all to be prosperous and enthusiastic.

The necessity of taking the midnight train on the part of many of those present compelled the adjournment of the meeting soon after 12, and after giving a rousing Phi yell, the members separated and the second alumni Phi

Banquet in New England came to an end.

DWIGHT N. MARBLE.

## PITTSBURGH.

The members of Alpha Alumni Chapter did not hold the annual dinner on March 15th this year, although they had not missed celebrating the occasion for five consecutive seasons. Invitations by the score were sent out by Secretary G. W. Gerwig, but out of the numerous replies received there were only a half dozen acceptances. Some of the boys dined at their alma mater that day, and others were called out of the city for various reasons. The lack of a banquet is most unfortunate, and it is hoped the chapter may be gotten together for a dinner even yet before summer.

We have at least seventy-five alumni Phis within a short radius of Pittsburgh, all of whom profess a lively interest in the success of the Fraternity. The Scroll, also, comes in for frequent praise as a wide-awake and representative

fraternity journal.

Phis here have been turned loose on law pretty largely, and, as a result, in a few years it is expected that there will be no demand for judges except they be of the elect and mystic brothers. Presbyterianism has its share; indeed we have representatives of every Christian faith. There is no reason why we should be behind any liberal and advanced thought of the age.

Bros. R. B. Scandrett, J. A. Langfitt, J. A. Guignon, G. M. Chalfant, McQuaide, S. H. McKee, T. C. Noble, Haymaker, J. R. McCance, A. E. Linhart and W. T. Tredway are among Pennsylvania Alpha alumni legal lights. C. A. Peffer, of Pennsylvania Delta, and R. T. McElroy are among the Phi law students who expect to be judges some day. Bro. R. W. Darragh is also studying law in Beaver.

Bro. H. W. Campbell is preaching at Martin's Ferry; Rev. J. D. Donahoo, at Tarentum, Pa.; Rev. Joseph L. Ewing, a Presbyterian divine, is located at Aspinwall, Pa.; Rev. R. A. Elliott, at Mt. Oliver, a suburb of Pittsburgh. Rev. W. P. Fulton, a loyal Phi, has been transferred from Huntington Valley to the Ninth Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia. Rev. W. A. Kinter has charge of Providence Mission, Allegheny. Rev. Charles L. Smith now has a flourishing M. E. congregation at Creighton, near this city. Rev. J. A. Vance is an Episcopalian rector at Blairsville, Pa. Rev. C. G. Williams' present address is Cross Creek, Pa. Bro. H. D. Whitfield, now preaching at Fayette City, will likely go to Drew Seminary next year.

Frank L. Wells, Esq., who joined Alpha alumni last year, is now at Wellsville, Ohio. G. E. Tredway is Principal of the Eighth Ward Public Schools, Allegheny. His place as Secretary of the Board of Controllers is ably filled by Bro. G. W. Gerwig, who has his office in the High School. Bro. W. Ed. Forgy is a teacher in Kiskiminitas College, at Saltsburg. Bro. T. C. Blaisdell still has charge of the department of Belles Lettres in the Allegheny High School. Bro. P. C. Farrar, at the head of the Latin department, still further adds to the frats' "lead-pipe cinch" on that institution. It is needless to state that the school is ably conducted.

Prof. W. Z. Morrison, Cornell, is in charge of Shadyside Academy. L. B. Long is rapidly becoming a millionaire in business at Brookville. R. B. Reitz, Allegheny College, made a successful general agent for a large stereoscope firm, but has quit that business and is now at the University of Pennsylvania to complete a course in dentistry. Bro. F. S. Christy, Syracuse, has moved to Bellevue. He and his partner civil engineer were elected borough engineers of several towns surrounding this city, and now have their hands full.

Forest Price, of Wooster, and J. B. Johnson, are among the Phi newspaper men in Pittsburgh. Dr. E. H. Pond is at 808 Penn Avenue. Lr. J. B. Blackburn, also a Phi, is resident physician at the new Allegheny County Home. It is a palace for paupers, and no one can be ill. The entire county population is liable to flock there if Blackburn does not break his record.

Bro. J. B. Clark, formerly of Washington, Pa., is now at 62 William Street, New York. Ed. H. Beazell is with the Keystone Bridge Works, Pittsburgh. Bro. T. A. Straub is making a success in business.

A charming wedding was that which united the lives of Bro. W. T. Tredway, Esq., and Miss Cora A. Watson, of Coraopolis. It occurred on the 14th inst. After the wedding journey is over they will reside in Coraopolis.

Phis in colleges and other cities will do the Pittsburgh chapter a favor if they will inform one of the officers of any Phis whom they know of as removing to this place. Brothers coming here should kindly make their presence known. We do not wish to slight any traveling Phi who may reach Pittsburgh, but we are not mind readers. Tell us when you arrive.

With kindly wishes,

E. P. Couse,

Chapter Reporter.

Pittsburgh, Pa., March 22d.

## PHILADELPHIA.

Alumni Day witnessed the largest and most enthusiastic gathering of Phis which has ever taken place in this city. The occasion was the annual dinner of Pennsylvania Zeta and Pennsylvania Beta Alumni chapters, which was held in the magnificent banquet hall of the new Hotel Metropole. Owing to the indefatigable efforts of Bro. J. Mortimer West, Jr., who was chairman of the committee, there were forty-four members of the Fraternity from this city and the vicinity present.

After prayer by Rev. James D. Hunter, of Norristown, (Pennsylvania Alpha, '78), the brothers sat down to a very enjoyable dinner, at the conclusion of which the toasts were in order. Bro. Chas. A. Oliver, M. D. (Pa. Zeta, '77), acted as toastmaster. The toasts were responded to as follows:

The Fraternity, Julius M. Mayer, Esq., N. Y. Delta, '86. Ten Years Ago, M. Graham Tull, M. D., Pa. Zeta, '85. To-Day, Wm. S. Wray, Pa. Zeta, '94.

Alumni Day, Prof. Chas. H. Wheeler, N. Y. Epsilon,'91.

Our Society Men, Henry C. Burr, Pa. Zeta, '94.

Anything, Thos. H. Baskerville, Esq., N. Y. Delta, '86. Interspersed with these toasts were a number of impromptu speeches, almost every one present being called upon to say something. The great success of this dinner is a fitting climax to the ten years of Pennsylvania Zeta's existence, and augurs well for the future prosperity of Phi Delta Theta in Philadelphia.

Yours in Phi Delta Theta.

J. CLARK MOORE, JR.

#### COLUMBUS, GEORGIA.

We who have left the associations of college days for business pursuits, still cling to the hope that we are not entirely divorced from our Brotherhood. Since last Thursday was Alumni Day, it serves as a link by which

we are reminded of the golden chain.

The Georgia Alumni in this city held no formal ceremony. We had no banquet. Times are too hard to speak of banquets—we are each straining for a dollar, and we are not very particular about the material from which it is made. We all agree, however, with an old negro of over eighty years, to whom I had the pleasure of listening a few days ago, as he discussed money with a party of gentlemen at a country court. When he was asked what he thought of the silver question, he exclaimed with an air of conviction, "I want round dollars; no three-cornered silver dollars for me."

Phi Delta Theta need have no fears that the colors so dear to us all will be lowered by her alumni who have made their homes in Georgia. In the commercial world they are conspicuous; in the professions they are leaders,

and in politics they are still more successful.

Bro. R. O. Howard, Georgia Beta, is chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee for this county, and is a prosperous drug merchant.

Bro. H. L. Manson, Georgia Gamma, formerly reporter for this alumni chapter, has been appointed special agent for the Phoenix, of Brooklyn, Fire Insurance Co., with his office in Atlanta, Ga.

Bro. J. W. Griggs, Tennessee Alpha, '82, of Dawson, has recently been elected Judge of the Superior Court, and is now filling it with ability and to the admiration of the people.

Your writer, after two terms in the Georgia Legislature, was elected Solicitor General, which position he now holds. General, which F Yours Fraternally, S. P. GILBERT.

Tenn. Alpha, '83.

# MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA.

The Alumni Chapter in this city is composed of a fine lot of young men, who all occupy good positions and stand high socially. Dr. B. J. Baldwin is a distinguished oculist, a member of the large Banking House of Josiah Morris & Co., connected with other business ventures and financial institutions, and is considered very wealthy. Col. M. P. Le Grand is President of the Bank of Montgomery, and Treasurer of the National Building and Loan Association. He is also connected with other financial institutions and is one of the coming business men of the State. Joseph Orum, who recently married Miss Claudia Lewis, one of the handsomest women in the State, is one of our most popular Commission Merchants and Warehousemen. Mr. Charles Gay is a Wholesale Grocer. Mr. John Gay controls a well established Insurance and Real Estate of-Dr. Glenn Andrews is practicing his profession with success, and was recently elected City Physician. Fred S. Ball is one of our practicing Attorneys and is a most enthusiastic Phi. He is President of Beta Province, and was recently married to one of Georgia's fairest women. Capt. Alva Fitzpatrick is Secretary of the National Building and Loan Association, one of the largest financial institutions in the State. He is a lawyer by profession and reputed to be a fine Journalist. Mr. W. J. Booth is Clerk of the Circuit Court, Mr. W. H. Thomas, who recently moved to this city from Lafayette, has joined the army of Benedicts and has built a very handsome home. He is an able and hustling young Lawyer. Messrs. Geo. Stowers, G. W. L. Smith and Henry P. Merritt, of Bullock county, Ala., have recently located here and will practice law. Mr. John A. Elmore, Philip Stern, the writer and his brother J. L. Holloway, are practicing law. Mr. Henry Jones is a retired Banker. Messrs. Joe Herron, H. W. Bullard, Lawrence E. Baker and Harry Anderson are successful clerks in various business houses. Space forbids our giving individual mention to the other Phis who reside here. Most of the above gentlemen took high stands in their respective colleges, and are succeeding admirably in the business world.

We rejoice to see Phi Delta Theta continuing to grow, and it is with much pleasure, too, that we notice the growth of the three chapters in this State. We will always be glad to see our college brothers, and to them is extended a cordial and hearty invitation to call upon any of the above Phis when they visit our city. We wish much success for The Scroll.

WM. E. Holloway.

#### NEW ORLEANS.

The Phis in New Orleans are from scattered chapters, and, as you will observe, a great number of them have unfortunately taken up the medical profession as their aim and ambition in life. This fact, as you doubtless will appreciate, will explain why they have not aggregated themselves sua sponte into an organized alumni association. It would take a considerable drumming in order to accomplish this task. Such a move was started by Louisiana Alpha to originate a New Orleans Alumni Society among the scattered Phis, but I foresaw how it would terminate and took no active part.

In New Orleans, the only way for a successful alumni association to be launched is to have its members com-

posed of Tulane men.

The attitude of the Phis in the city has been most fraternal to the chapter members. The chapter, however, has never called on any of them for support, but, on the contrary, has extended them invitations to entertainments; which makes them debtors instead of creditors. When Louisiana Alpha is a little older, there is no reason why New Orleans may not boast of one of the strongest of alumni societies.

I will now give you a list of the men in the correspondent list of Φ Δ Θ in New Orleans: R. T. Marr (Att'y-at-Law), Vanderbilt; E. T. Merrick (Attorney), Vanderbilt; H. T. Cottam (Wholesale Grocer), Sewanee; Gus. Boucher, Sewanee; Robert Jamison, (Merchant), Sewanee; Dr.

Robert Bohn, Sewanee; Geo. W. Nott, Jr. (Clerk), Virginia; Dr. F. W. Parham, Virginia; Hermann Flaspoller and Henry Flaspoller (Flaspoller & Sons, Wholesale Grocers), Roanoke; Wm. Poitevent and Simon Favre (sons of firm Poitevent & Favre, Lumber Merchants), Roanoke; Warren Platt (Grocer), Virginia; and Dr. Marion Soushon, Dr. John D'Aquin, Jos. Dupuy (Ass't City Engineer,) Dr. Milo Brady, Harry Denis, Udolpho Wolfe (Clerk), Wm. Hardie (Cotton Clerk), Robert Hardie (Cotton Clerk), Dr. Hamilton Jones, G. L. Tebaulte (Law Dep't), Hermann B. Gessner, Edwin Renaud and C. H. Tebault, Jr., the last three named of Charity Hospital Ambulance Corps, and all from the Tulane chapter. The names given do not include any of the active members of the chapter.

I trust this information may be satisfactory.

I am going to make a strong effort to get off to Indianapolis, but the chances are that I will be compelled to remain at my post of duty. I hope, however, that a general good time may be had by all.

Sincerely yours in the Bond.

C. H. TEBAULT, JR.

## LOUISVILLE.

For various reasons it was found impossible for this chapter to have a dinner on the 15th of March this year. The idea was abandoned with regret, as the last dinner was a marked success and aroused a great deal of interest

among the Phis in the city.

The new catalogue accredits forty-eight living Phis to Louisville. Of this number, Kentucky Alpha contributes twenty-two, or nearly one-half, Tennessee Beta nine, and Indiana Epsilon six, the remainder are from ten other chapters. Fourteen of the members of Kentucky Alpha are ante-bellum members, and they are among the leaders of professional and business circles in Louisville. To the credit of the Fraternity it may be said that they are enthusiastic Phis, and interested in everything that relates to the welfare of Phi Delta Theta. The old Centre chapter has a membership that is unsurpassed by that of any other chapter in the Fraternity, and the best of its best members are in Louisville.

The younger members of the Fraternity, those of the last decade, are not as closely identified with the alumni chapter as they ought to be. This may be due in part to

the chapter itself. It is expected, however, that the chapter will take steps to bring the Phis in the city together in an informal way more frequently in the future. Brother Marble was very active in forwarding the interests of the chapter, and since his departure no one has come forward as yet to take the part he took.

The chapter hopes to have several meetings before next Alumni Day, and to report next year a good dinner, well attended and the usual enthusiasm.

FRANK D. SWOPE.

#### CLEVELAND.

Ohio Gamma Alumni sends greetings to all brothers in the faith, and promises to send you an account of her banquet, to be given early in April, for publication in the June issue of the SCROLL. Cleveland Phis are all flourishing, and give promise of becoming presidents of banks, colleges and nations in due time.

Yours in the Bond,

CHAS. L. CHALFANT.

#### INDIANAPOLIS.

The Indianapolis Alumni, never dead, but sometimes sluggish, have been galvanized into activity by the announcement that the next convention is to come to their There are enough Phi Delta Thetas in and about Indianapolis to make good any pledges of welcome that may have been made by our able Secretary of the General Council. We stand by him. We shall hold ourselves in readiness to assist in any plan of operations that the brothers may devise Indiana Gamma is close at hand, and all of the chapters in the Hoosier State are within easy call. It is early to outline any of the plans of entertainment, which no doubt will be fully matured next month, but with the abundance of brotherly help within call, there is every reason to anticipate an effective cooperation. Unless there is a statute forbidding the use of the place for such purposes, the convention will probably meet in the State Capitol. General Harrison, our prominent brother, is now on the Pacific slope and we can not answer for him; but we hope that he will either receive the convention at his house or appear before it at its place of meeting. He has never vet failed to attest his

interest in the Fraternity. An early meeting of the alumni is contemplated, at which committees to look after the necessary things will be appointed. Of course, we count upon the aid of our distinguished brother, Judge Byron K. Elliott, and will, no doubt, have material aid from Dr. Joseph S. Jenckes, Addison C. Harris, Judge A. C. Ayres, and many others with and without titles, and all with loyal hearts.

HILTON U. BROWN.

ST. LOUIS.

The Second Annual Banquet of the St. Louis Phis has come, and now lives but in memory. On Wednesday evening, March 28, 1894, the alumni and active Phis of St. Louis met at the Mercantile Club at 8 P. M. with mirth and good cheer to partake of the elegant repast which had been prepared, to enjoy the several toasts and to join their voices in the rousing songs of Phi Delta Theta. Although there are some two or three more than eighty Phis known to be in the City of St. Louis, yet the financial condition of our country has had such an effect upon our brothers that only twenty-five were able to be with us at our gathering.

At 8:30 P. M. Bro. William Graham of Virginia Beta, '80, asked the blessing of the Father of all Fraternities upon our deliberations, and we were seated for the work. By each plate there stood, in the place of the old-time menu, a three-fold card, on the front of which appeared

in heavy silver—

Autographs-Second Annual Banquet of the Missouri Beta Alumni and Missouri Gamma Chapters of Phi Delta Theta.

> Mercantile Club, St. Louis, Mo., Wednesday Evening March 28th, 1894.

And on the back, also in silver—

Annual Alumni Day, March 15. Established in honor of the Founders and Alumni of the Fraternity.

> Colors-White and blue. FLOWER—The White Carnation.

YELL-Rah, Rah, Rah! Phi-kei-a! Phi Delta Theta. Rah, Rah, Rah!

These cards passed around the table between the courses and on their return showed the following signatures:

- P. R. Flitcraft, Michigan Alpha, '71: C. A. Bohn, Missouri Gamma, '93; John A. Carter, Virginia Beta, '91; Chas. F. Krone, Missouri Alpha, '85; Will H. Danforth, Missouri Gamma, '92: J. A. Gallaher, Missouri Beta, '86: W. H. Thompson, Missouri Gamma, '97; A. C. Caldwell, Missouri Gamma, '97; J. C. Cummings, Missouri Gamma, '94: C. H. Wilson, Missouri Gamma, '96: P. S. Stevenson, Missouri Gamma, '94: A. P. Whittemore, Missouri Gamma, '96: T. F. Chaplin, Missouri Gamma, '96; R. W. Bruere, Missouri Gamma, '96; W. D. Hudson, Missouri Gamma, '93: W. T. Morris, Massachusetts Alpha, '92: Wm. Graham, Virginia Beta, '80; Geo. H. Boeck, Missouri Gamma, '97; R. M. Wilson, Missouri Gamma, '97: M. H. Blackwell, Indiana Beta, '85: L. B. Vella, Missouri Gamma, '91: T. G. Rutledge, Missouri Gamma, '92: C. C. Collins, Missouri Gamma, '92: Richard McCulloch, Missouri Gamma, '91; Fred B. Hall, Missouri Gamma, '94.
- Bro. P. R. Flitcraft acted as Toastmaster and after the completion of the numerous courses, the evening passed as follows:—

Song-Vive Les Phis.

- "We Fellows,"

  T. G. Rutledge, Missouri Gamma, '92.
  Song—Reunion.
- "Phis at the Bar," . C. F. Krone, Missouri Alpha, '85. Song—Climbing up the Grecian Stairs.
- "College Fraternities," W. T. Morris, Massachnsetts Alpha, '92. Song—Hail Phi Delta Theta.
- "Phi Delta Theta," C. C. Collins, Missouri Gamma, '92.
  Song—Our William Goat.
- "The Goat," . . . J. A. Carter, Virginia Beta. '91.
  Song—Marching on to Victory.
- "Missouri Gamma," F. B. Hall, Pres. of Missouri Gamma, '94. Song—Phi Delta Theta, For Aye!
- "St. Louis Alumni and Alumni Chapter," .

Wm. Graham, Virginia Beta, '80.

Song—Auld Lang Syne.

The Yell.

All passed off smothly, serenely, and most enjoyably, especially at the last when Bros. Flitcraft, Krone and Morris rather usurped Bro. Graham's place on the boards. It had been Bro. Graham's intention in his toast to move that the alumni chapter of St. Louis be formed and a

permanent organization effected. Bro. Flitcraft, learning of this, took occasion to say that the alumni chapter was organized, and although they had been sleeping for several years, still they had their charter, and what they needed was a live young man as the President of Missouri Beta Alumni Chapter. He had been President, and Bro. Krone had been Secretary, by force of circumstances, (because only one meeting had ever been held) for the last six years. Bro. Flitcraft therefore moved that Bro. Graham be elected President of the St. Louis (Missouri Beta) Alumni Chapter. Bros. Krone and Morris followed him up, and Bro. Graham was unanimously elected. Bro. Graham's toast was thereby taken from him, but he managed to bear up under the "greatness thrust upon him," and replied most cordially to his fellows. On motion of Bro. Collins, our Bro. Danforth was unanimously elected Secretary. The motion was then made and carried that a full attendance of the alumni be called in the rooms of Missouri Gamma in the near future for the purpose of electing the other officers, and deciding upon plans for the future. The boys then all joined hands, sang Auld Lang Syne, gave the yell, and adjourned.

C. A. Bohn.

#### MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL.

The alumni and active chapter of Phi Delta Theta held their annual reunion and banquet at the Guaranty Loan restaurant last night with a very large attendance. The evening was one of mirth and good fellowship, speeches being interspersed with college songs, and a royal good time was enjoyed until late in the evening.

The attendance was made up of the following alumni

and undergraduate members:

Alumni: James G. Wallace, Washington and Jefferson, president of the Minnesota alumni association; L. A. Straight, Illinois Wesleyan; Jay W. Crane, Lombard; C. L. Herron, Hillsdale; John H. Cook, Ohio Wesleyan; A. H. L. Moore, Dartmouth; F. C. Harvey, Miami, Ohio; Prof. Conway of MacMillan, Dean, University of Nebraska; Oscar Hallam, University of Wisconsin; Walter R. Brown, University of Minnesota; Harry Snyder, Cornell; Homer C. Johnson, University of Ohio; David F. Simpson, University of Wisconsin; James Gray, University of Minnesota; Thomas G. Lee, University of

Pennsylvania; A. G. Bridges, University of Wisconsin; Robert E. Esterly, Cornell; W. E. Higbee, Illinois Wesleyan; W. F. Hunt, University of Ohio; C. E. Morse, University of Vermont, and President Ringland, of Mac-

alester college, Minnesota.

The members of Minnesota Alpha present were: C. Perkins, E. C. Bisbee, E. P. Harding, E. W. Mathews, Jr., E. F. Lindman, W. H. Condit, H. H. Crossett, Charles E. Adams, Thomas B. Hartzell, W. C. Leary, Walter H. Sherburne, Earl Simpson, Harry Simmons, Roy M,

Wheeler, Jas. H. Evans and W. A. Godward.

Letters of regret were read from the following alumni residents in the northwest: J. M. Anderson, Duluth; Don R. Davidson, Wapheton, N. D.; R. A. Eaton, Grand Forks, N. D.; R. C. Dewey, Delano, Minn.; J. B. Eaton, Devils Lake, N. D.; Luther Twitchell, Minneapolis; Lieut. Chas. Tear, Duluth; Rev. W. C. Covert, Merriam

Park, Hon. J. B. Cotton, Duluth.

After the dinner, Mr. Wallace, acting as toastmaster, introduced as the first speaker President Ringland, of Macalester college, who was received with great applause. President Ringland spoke briefly, as he was obliged to leave early to attend the oratorical contest at his college. He expressed his great pleasure at meeting with Phis and spoke enthusiastically of the Fraternity as he knew it in his college days. One of the chief pleasures in his connection with it was that after leaving college he found it a center around which grouped the tenderest college memories. No man who had gone through a college could be insensible to those recollections, and the Fraternity was a grand means to bind a man to the frank joys of his youth. As Dr. Ringland turned to with-draw, the crowd broke out with the old college refrain, "For he's a jolly good fellow," and hearty applause followed him.

W. E. Higbee, the most enthusiastic Phi of the session. responded to the next toast, "Phi's as a Moral Hazard," treating the subject from an insurance standpoint. Mr. Highee also took charge of the music and led in the college songs at the piano, giving life to the whole evening with his enthusiasm and love of old college songs. C. E. Adams, of the local chapter, spoke for the Phis in athletics, touching up the members who are leaders in foot ball and other university sports. "Ellen Terry" was the somewhat peculiar toast assigned to L. A. Straight, of St. Paul, who taking his text and departing from it, gave a very interesting talk on chapter building. Prof. MacMillan handled the subject of Phi Delta Theta as an aid to college government. In his own college he said, by way of aside, that the Phis did a great deal to keep college government and even municipal government active.

"Phis in Politics" was the toast assigned J. B. Cotton, of Duluth, who could not be present, but it was adequately treated by City Attorney Simpson, who thought Phi Delta Theta had a proud record in the politics of the country. It had produced two presidents and a great many senators and members of cabinets. He took it to be true that in the fraternity men learned two necessary principles in politics---enthusiasm for the Order, and loyalty to friends. The Phis who had succeeded in the larger field had been men who had digested these principles; faith in the principles of their loyalty to their friends.

W. A. Godward made an excellent speech for the local chapter, full of sallies at his brother members that were highly appreciated by all. Thos. B. Hartzell treated the "Phi" girls ably, and Mr. Hunt, of St. Paul, spoke for the Phis abroad, for whom he expressed the hope they would eventually cease their wanderings and find a home in St. Paul. After the regular program volunteers were called out in numbers, among them Walter R. Brown, F. C. Harvey of Miami, and others.

The evening closed with a short business meeting of the alumni chapter, at which the present officers were re-elected, and it was resolved to hold several social reunions during the college year.

WALTER R. BROWN.

#### SAN FRANCISCO.

California Alpha Alumni Chapter technically does not exist not having, so far as we can ascertain, been regularly chartered, but this did not prevent a few correspondent members of the fraternity from ordering an impromptu spread by way of an informal observance of Alumni Day at the appointed time. By close application to the duty of putting something under our vests and afterwards waxing very enthusistic over California Alpha's Chapter House scheme discussion of the published topics was skillfully dodged.

Besides the actives in Berkeley and Palo Alto there are to our knowledge twenty-five Phis in Oakland, nine in Berkeley, three in Alameda, four in Palo Alto, one each in San Jose, Mountain View and Golden Gate and thirty in this city, not counting those in business here but residing in the other places mentioned so that on a sufficiently important occasion there can be gathered from around the Bay considerably over one hundred members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . Of these Dr. G. W. Rodolph, C. F. Allardt, F. A. Allardt, H. G. Parker, Ross Morgan (chairman), F. S. Boggs, E. C. Holmes, O. E. Parcells, the three last named being attendant members, and the undersigned, all of California Alpha, did personal justice to the menu. Regrets were read from E. C. Morgan, Los Banos and M. A. Howe, Berkeley, Vermont Alpha, W. H. Waste, California Alpha, and E. D. Lewis and C. A. Fife, California Beta. Illness prevented the attendance of and writing of this account by our esteemed reporter, C. Edward Holmes. Zealous Louis Titus, unfortunately misinformed as to the place of meeting, the Vienna Cafe, sampled California mudwinter weather during the festivities.

As a result of the meeting and Ross Morgan's activity an application for an Alumni charter has been drawn up in due form and will soon be forwarded to headquarters.

WM. O. MORGAN.

# EDITORIAL.

The National Convention of Phi Delta Theta will be held in Indianapolis, May 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, 1894.

THE General Council and the chapters have decided, we think wisely so, that our National Convention should be held in this college year. On the part of the chapters the proposition met with almost unanimous approval. The reasons advanced for so holding it have seemed to us ones that were not to be slighted, and as those which called for postponement last fall are no longer operative, it would have been unwise to cut out entirely from this year the pleasure, enthusiasm and impetus given in fraternity work, which come from our national assemblages.

The inability of the Syracuse chapter to arrange for a Spring Convention left the choice of another place open, and this went to Indianapolis. No other city offered so many advantages in arranging for a convention on short notice. It has a large number of resident alumni. An active chapter, a member of the General Council, and a Province President are there to look after the necessary details in local affairs. Six other chapters are within easy reach, and a good part of the Fraternity can get there by one day-light ride. No other city could be reached by delegates from all the chapters with a smaller total mileage than can Indianapolis.

Altogether the choice of a place is a most happy one, and there is no shadow of doubt but that numerically it will be the largest convention ever assembled by the Fraternity. We believe that in business and social ways it will prove one of our happiest reunions, and every Phi who can, will greatly err if he fails to fall in line for the convention of 1894.

THE INTER-STATE Oratorical Contest will be held in Indianapolis on the evening of May 10, and the Association will be in session there on the 10th and 11th. This brings a large number of college men together, and would, of itself, gather many Phis to the City. In the same week occurs Indianapolis' May Musical Festival. Considering that they will be enabled to be present at not only the contest or Festival if desired, but also to attend the sessions of the convention, many who might fail to be drawn by either attraction singly, will find themselves induced to make the trip under these multiplied attractions.

Among Phis well known throughout the Fraternity for their devotion to the Order, Indianapolis is the home of not a few. Ex-President Harrison is one of the number, and if he returns from the Pacific Coast, where he is delivering his annual course of lectures at Stanford University, by the time the convention assembles, as now seems probable, the Phis will see him and hear from him in his best fraternal vein. Judge Byron K. Elliott, late Chief Justice of Indiana's Supreme Court, will lend his aid and personal presence to make the various convention features a success. Rev. Dr. J. S. Jenckes, always an enthusiastic Phi, the orator of the Atlanta Convention, is another of those whom the city claims.

Hilton U. Brown, city editor of the *Indianapolis News*, an ex-president of our General Council, will be another whom Phis will be glad to know. And so we might go on to enumerate until the number went to a dozen or a score. Indianapolis and Indiana are full of Phis, good Phis, too, and they will be on hands at the convention. Let us turn out in full force to show them what Phi Delta Theta is doing elsewhere. Let us capture the Hoosier Capital so that in the week it is turned over to college men, the fact will be patent to all—citizen and collegian, Greek and Barbarian—that May 7th to 11th is pre-eminently Phi Delta Theta week.

HAVE you considered whom you will send to represent you as delegate in the Convention? If not, it is time that you were doing so, in order that the one selected may be making the preparations that he might deem necessary to intelligent representation of your interests. In choosing this man, do not ask who is your best student, who is your best orator, who is your society man. Ask only who is the best fraternity man. He may possess all of the above qualities or he may have none of them. worth in the convention will depend upon the standard of membership which he represents, and the personal knowledge and enthusiasm in frafernity affairs which he brings. Send the man whom for what he has done for your chapter you are proud to have known as a Phi. In such a man the interests of your chapter and of the Fraternity are apt to be safe.

WE WANT more than a delegate from the different chapters, and especially those of the northern central States. We want a delegation. It is hardly to be expected that chapters of the Pacific coast, of the extreme South, and those of New England can send many convention attendants outside of their official delegates. The distance is so great that for financial reasons if for nothing else, few could undertake it. But the chapters of Indiana can afford to turn out en masse. Ohio, Michigan, Illinois and Kentucky should send large delegations. while from Pennsylvania, New York, Wisconsin, Iowa and Missouri there should come a more than liberal sprinkling of enthusiastic visitors. It will be a great week, and it will be an opportunity to mingle with college and fraternity men of all sections, made possible only by a national convention and an inter-state contest held in the midst of an area populous in colleges and college men. Large delegations can take home to their chapters an immense amount of knowledge and enthusiasm to spur the chapter on in its regular work.

For reasons that can be readily seen, we hope to see a large number of attendants from classes below the Senior. Naturally, from their longer experience in fraternity affairs many of the delegates will be from the senior class, and that is right. But we want Juniors, Sophomores and Freshmen to be there to get a supply of fraternity energy that will make them more effective workers when the campaign of the next college year is upon them.

If delegates are wisely chosen, we believe no caution needs to be given in regard to legislation. The wisdom and good judgment of those who sit in convention will prevent any backward steps after the advancement of the past few years, and there is too large an element of conservatism in our ranks to allow any rainbow or butter-fly chasers, such as sometimes spring up in all bodies, to lead the Fraternity away from the dignified course it has maintained in all questions heretofore brought up.

As regards important measures to come up for consideration we have heard very few mentioned. So we cannot say the convention promises in the sense of legislation, to be a critical one in our history. But of however small moment the questions may seem to be, we want nothing but the wisest action upon them. There is one point to which THE SCROLL desires to call attention. The 1886 edition of our Constitution has been exhausted. and a new one is imperative. Even if the old edition were not gone, the numerous amendments made by the Bloomington and Atlanta sessions would make a revised one advisable. It seems to us that our Constitution has been entirely too pliable. It has been amended and remended, changed and changed back again, and if anyone has an idea to offer on matters pertaining to the Fraternity it is offered in the shape of a constitutional amendment. The Constitution has been looked upon as a mere formula that could be changed to suit the particular breeze that might then be blowing, to be changed when

the wind shifted. It is remarkable that it has remained free from errors as it has, but there is danger in the old wav. A proper regard for the Fraternity demands that its Constitution be put upon such a basis that it shall not be pelted with amendments from the beginning to the end of every convention session. Eliminate from it every section that does not pertain to rulings which are properly a part of the instrument which experience has shown must be changed from year to year. Such convention actions are just as binding without being made a part of our Constitution, and their renewal or abrogation does not call for tinkering with that most important instrument. So too in matters properly pertaining to the Constitution we have inserted with them unnecessary or unimportant details, so that while the general law has been good, we have sometimes found it necessary to make a constitutional amendment to get rid of or change some feature that had nothing to do with the efficacy of the general rule.

We call upon the convention at Indianapolis to put the Constitution on a more stable basis. Make it a little harder to rush amendments through. We have seen the most important legislation sprung on the convention for action without fifteen minutes notice, the amendment rushed through without debate and with the delegates unaware of the full import of the measure. Such proceedings ought not to be possible for any purpose however laudable this might be. All proposed amendments should lay over for at least two days, being read by the Secretary at the opening of each session. This would give due notice of the proposed law so that its probable effects could be judged, and prevent hasty action at all times and especially on the last day when so much business is transacted, all of it with little or no debate. Better still, and not too stringent, would it be, to make it necessarv for it to pass a three-fourths vote of two succeeding conventions, instead of the three-fourths vote of one, or two-thirds of two succeeding ones as now. But if the

last is considered as too strong, the check embodied in the first suggestion as to laying over two days should by all means be adopted.

A provision that we hope to see inserted in our laws is one that shall create an office to be known as that of Honorary President. This officer to have no assigned duties but to have the privilege of acting as the presiding officer at our National Conventions. In his absence this chair can be occupied as heretofore by the President of the General Council. The Fraternity is old and strong enough to be able to point to a long line of alumni, now retired from all active fraternity duties, who in their younger days have done notable service for Phi Delta Theta. The Fraternity is today in the enjoyment of prosperity made possible by their work. We believe it would be wise for the Convention to create this office and name for it some Phi who deserves recognition on account of his services. It will be an acknowledgement that will be appreciated by the recipient, and succeeding Conventions can add other notable names to this list of Honorary Presidents.

THE SCROLL has been in receipt of numerous invitations to attend Alumni Day banquets, receptions and post-Lenten parties. If we had been able to follow our own inclinations we would have been in Philadelphia, Hillsdale, St. Louis and Ann Arbor in the past two weeks. We are glad to know that this day is gaining in favor as it certainly is.

WE DESIRE to congratulate the Fraternity upon the Illinois Eta at the University of Illinois as well as to refer the members of this chapter to the honor they have achieved in entering Phi Delta Theta. Turn to Chapter Correspondence and read the letter from the new chapter. This came to The SCROLL and between the superscription

and subscription it has not been given a mark, but is as the Reporter sent in ready for publication. The accuracy with which the Reporter has met the duties of his new office is something for which the chapter and officer is to be commended.

We hope the Convention will take action to censure the chapters which have been neglecting to issue the annual circular letter to their alumni. This is one of the most beneficent duties entailed upon the chapters, but this year more than ever before there has been negligence in regard to it. Some of the chapters seem to consider it a matter of little importance, and talk as if their correspondence to The Scroll answered the purpose. The convention should open the eyes of these chapters and should delegate some officer to see that the chapters issue the letter or enforce a penalty in case of their continued neglect to do so.

# OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION.

FROM THE HISTORIAN OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

On account of the change in time of holding the Convention, it is necessary that Chapter Historians be more prompt this year in sending in their reports than heretofore. During the two years in which I have occupied this office, I have received only a few of the reports promptly, some of them not being obtained until August, and then only after a great amount of correspondence. The same complaint has been made by previous Historians. This year it is absolvtely necessary that Chapter Historians send me their reports by May 1st, in order that I may present a complete report to the Convention. I trust that all Chapter Historians will bear this in mind and send in their reports promptly so that I shall not be put to the disagreeable necessity of securing a search warrant to obtain them.

DWIGHT N. MARBLE, H. G. C.

# CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

## ALPHA PROVINCE.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

After the excitement of the fall campaign, we commenced the winter term with the ambition of doing solid literary work in our meetings. An unusual effort has been made to bring the two lower classes into an active participation in the exercises, and the result has been very gratifying. A pleasant variety has been given to the meetings by the presentation of two plays, both of which were written by members of the chapter.

We regret to report the loss of two from our Sophomore delegation. Bro. Meserve, who is now teaching in Stanton, Neb., and Bro. Phelps, who is also teaching. The latter hopes to enter '97 next year. On the other hand, we were very glad to welcome Bro. Henry W. Jackson, '95, who has affiliated with us from Maine Alpha.

This is a somewhat dull season for honors of any sort, but we have had a fair portion of such as have been bestowed. Bro. Hapgood has been elected business manager of the '96 Aegis, and is Secretary of his class. He was also one of the speakers at the Sophomore banquet, February 21. Bro. Cox was poet on the same occasion. Bro. Wallace was poet at the Freshman banquet, and Bro. Thyng responded to one of the toasts.

Neither the athletic nor the base ball team will be selected this term. We have representatives among the strong candidates for both teams. At the Indoor meet, which occurred March 3, Bro. Hock gained third place in the running high jump, Bro. West second in the high dive, and Bro. Lyon first in the 15 yards dash and the potato race, and second in the high kick.

The college catalogue, just issued, contains the names of eleven new instructors, only four of whom were elected to fill vacancies, and exhibits a very large increase in the number of courses offered. There is also a gain in the number of students.

The winter has been enlivened by an inter-fraternity whist tournament. This was to have been finished today, but there are several tie games to be played off, so the result is as yet in suspense. We are practically tied with Kappa Kappa Kappa (local). Each team has lost one game. Bros. Hapgood and Thyng are our representa-

tives. Bro. Hapgood attended the fifth annual banquet of Rhode Island Alpha, held November 2. He reports a royal welcome, and gives a most enthusiastic account of his brief sojourn in Providence.

Yours in the Bond,

Hanover, Nov. 14.

KENT KNOWLTON.

# VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The "two important dates" mentioned in the last SCROLL have passed, and each has been duly observed by Vermont Alpha. Our circular letter has been issued and forwarded to each of our correspondent members, and to the officers and chapters of Phi Delta Theta. We have, however, received but five letters from other chapters. This has caused us great disappointment, for we wish to know of the successes of our sister chapters, and receive encouragement and help from them. We trust that the letters have been issued by each chapter, and that it is an oversight which will be remedied, that we have not received the letters.

Alumni day was observed by Vermont Alpha with appropriate exercises in the evening. It was with great pleasure that we welcomed with us at that time, Bros. Forbes, '90, Hawley, '91, Baker, '92, Mower, '92, and Wiswell, '93. It is hoped that this custom of observing Alumni Day will continue, and that it may become universally observed by Phis.

At a recent election of editors for the *University Cynic*, Bros. Davis and Winslow were elected first and second associate editors. The *Cynic* has been for the three years past under Phis as managing editors.

The early disappearance of the snow is enabling our base ball team to get some out of door practice before taking their Southern trip. The team promises to be fully as good as in the past, and we look for fresh victories. Vermont Alpha will be represented on the team by Bro. Daggett, '95.

Vermont Alpha has fine rooms for fraternity halls, but we have long felt the need of having the brothers all together during the week. Now we are scattered around the city, but we hope to have our wishes gratified, and to be nicely housed under one roof before another year passes.

Yours in the Bond,

Burlington, March 19, 1894.

GEO. H. DALRYMPLE.

## - MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

We celebrated Alumni Day by a very pleasant banquet. After disposing of the substantial part of the program, letters were read from many of our Alumni expressing their regret that they were unable to be present, and extending their best wishes for our success and prosperity. After several toasts and many songs, we broke up, each feeling in closer touch with the Alumni than ever before.

Bro. Gulliver, '94, attended the Alumni banquet held in Boston, March 15th. He reported a delightful time and a successful banquet.

The monotony of the winter term was very pleasantly broken by the Thompson lecture course, consisting of both lectures and concerts, which are fully appreciated by the students.

Our base ball team is to start on March 26th, on a trip extending as far south as Washington. They will play the University of Pennsylvania, the University of Virginia, Lehigh, Yale and Trinity.

The college Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Clubs also take a trip during Easter vacation, giving concerts in Buffalo, Cleveland, Columbus, St. Louis, Chicago and Detroit.

Bro. Weston has been elected a member of the '96 "Gull" board and also one of the editors of the Williams Literary Monthly.

On February 19th, Gilbert Earll Treat, '97, of Auburn, N. Y., became a member of our Society.

Yours in the Bond,

Williamstown, March 21, 1894.

J. H. Irish.

## NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

On the night of December 8, '93, we held our Tenth Annual Reunion, followed by a banquet at the Edison. Several Alumni were present, and we passed a very enjoyable evening. At the close of the literary exercises, before going to the hotel, the Chapter presented a handsome gold-headed cane to Bro. Brown.

Bro. Brown, Professor of Civil Engineering, left us at the end of the fall term and accepted the position of City Engineer at Indianapolis, Ind. For the present Mr. Kirkpatrick, of Nashville, Tenn., is filling his place, but it is expected that Prof. Landreth, of Vanderbilt University, will permanently fill the chair after the close of this year.

A few days ago President Webster's resignation was accepted by the trustees, and Union is once more without a President. Dr. Raymond of Albany, has been chosen for the place, but has not accepted yet. It is to be hoped that he will accept, and that we will not be without a President for a very long time.

For the past two weeks the students have been busy preparing for the minstrel performance which was given in the 'Van Curler' February 5th and 6th, and which will be given at Ballston the 8th, and at Amsterdam the 9th. We were greeted with large audiences in the Van Curler, and expect good success in the other places. Preparations are now under way for a 'Kirmess' to be given later.

We were all much surprised to receive the announcement of the marriage of Bro. F. J. Wagner, '94, at Syracuse, January 9, '94. We wish him much joy.

At the close of last term we took the big sword and shield in our arms and all went over to the photographer's and had a group taken. We were in quite a hurry, but succeeded in getting a very fine picture to add to our collection.

Yours in the Bond,

Schenectady, Feb. 8, '94.

W. L. LAWTON.

# NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

Since my last letter, the members of New York Epsilon have been busily engaged in the ordinary routine of college life. However, I have one event of special importance to record, as it was the occasion of a great revival of fraternity spirit, viz., our Eighth Anniversary Banquet. To accommodate our non-resident Alumni, we changed the date from Wednesday to Friday, February 9th. The banquet was held at the Yates, the best hotel in Syracuse, and besides the active Chapter, the following Alumni were with us: H. O. Sibley, '89: E. H. Hill, '89; James Sanford, '90; E. M. Sanford, '92: Olin W. Wood, '92; Ed. D. Rich, '92: M. Willis, '93; T. W. Taylor, '93; Edward Beadle, ex-'94, and A. E. Larkin, ex-'94. After an excellent menu had been discussed, the toastmaster, George Draper Coons, '94, called for the toasts:

- "History" . . . . . . . F. P. SCHENCK, '95
  "New York Epsilon" . . . . . . . . . . . . Ed. D. Rich, '92
  "Go where I may, I'm still a son
  Of good old New York Epsilon."
- "The clouds have rolled away, the future seems
  All full of bright realities, not dreams."

" Poem "					•	Prof. H. O. Sibley, '86	9
"Unsre Jun	gling	e ''				. Chas. E. Cooney, '97	7
"We are not nurslings; Ninety-seven,							
Our future greatness is the leaven."							
" Prophecy	11				,	ULYSSES G. WARREN, '96	5
" Our Duty	as Ph	is ''				HARRY B. TILBURY, '9	5
"We owe our duty, let us try							
To be true men to good old Phi"							

Impromptu speeches were made by O. W. Wood, James Sanford and M. R. Sanford, the toasts being interspersed with Phi and college songs. At a late hour we left the banquet hall endowed with a clear sense of what it means to belong to Phi Delta Theta.

On Wednesday evening, February 28, the members of the Chi Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta were given a reception at the Chapter House. After competitive games and refreshments, dancing concluded the program of the evening. We were only too glad to entertain the members of the Kappa Alpha Theta Chapter, as we regard them among our best friends in college circles.

Monday evening, February 26th, the members of the Lowell Literary Society were entertained at our Chapter House by the Phi members of the Society.

At our banquet, we were pleased to see with us Bro. J. B. Sanford, '92, of Peabody, Mass. Bro. Sanford is now proprietor and editor of the *Peabody Advertiser*, and is meeting with merited success.

In Athletics, Bro. Nichols, who has just been elected Captain of the base ball team, has his team out for practice every day, and, by the addition of some new players from the freshmen class, he expects to make a good record this year. The Track Athletic team is also in daily practice.

To remove disloyalty and discord, we expelled William G. Morrell, '95, of Trenton, New Jersey, and Caleb C. Brown, '96, of Syracuse, N. Y., and allowed Chas. E. Wetton, special, of Elizabeth, New Jersey, to resign from our Chapter during the first of the present term.

Yours in the Bond.

Syracuse, March 13, 1894.

G. H. BASKERVILLE.

# PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

Since the regular fall initiations we have added one more worthy Phi to our list. We introduce to you Bro. Foster, '96.

In all college and class organizations  $\phi \Delta \Theta$  is more than well represented. On Monday evening the Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Clubs gave their annual concert in Able Hall, and we recognized Bro. Chalfant as leader of the Glee Club; Bro. Smith, '94, President of the Musical Association, conspicuous in both Glee and Mandolin Clubs; and also Bros. Foster, Smith, '97, and Saxton, as members of the Banjo and Mandolin Clubs.

The men have begun to train for the coming baseball season, and two very promising candidates are Bros. Lucas and Saxton. Should they be successful, it will make the trips more enjoyable for Bro. Kirkendall, who manages the team.

Under the administration of President Warfield several new customs have been established at Lafayette. One of the best of these is the awarding of three prizes to the successful competitors in a Senior debate to be held each year between men chosen from the Washington and Franklin literary societies. On Washington's birthday the first contest was held in Pardee Hall, and Pennsylvania Alpha was represented by Bros. Smith and Allen. Bro. Allen carried off third prize.

We are sorry to announce the sickness of Bro. Dean, who has been confined to his bed for the past six weeks. We hope he may soon recover.

At the coming commencement we graduate three of our number, and in the recent class elections each received the office he desired. Bro. Smith was elected chairman of the Music Committee; Bro. Kirkendall, chairman of the Invitation Committee; and Bro. Allen, Class Orator.

Wishing success to every chapter of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and asking you to give us any knowledge you may have of men expecting to enter Lafayette, I am,

Yours in the Bond,

LEWIS H. ALLEN.

Easton, March 7, 1894.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

In our new rooms every evening some of us meet to enjoy a social chat or a festive game of cards. We have the nicest rooms in town, as perhaps may have been said. Our membership (13) is next thing

to largest, being equalled only by  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ . Phis make their presence known here—as everywhere. In a few days we have our annual inter-class drills. In this Bro. Ryall leads the Juniors, while Bro. Kerr is pianist for '97. We have just had an indoor athletic contest, in which three of us took a creditable part.

Another entertainment is our annual Society contest, March 28, in which Bro. Hays has a fine chance of winning original oration. The *Jeffersonian* has four editors. Bro. Carline is the new alumni, and Bro. Link, literary editor.

We had the pleasure of welcoming back this term Bro. Holliday, of Pittsburg. His course has been interrupted, as he has spent only two years here. But he will graduate this spring or die in the attempt. His presence helps to make up for three losses. Bros. Weirick and Thompson have permanently left college, and Bro. Moore is out this term.

We have three applicants for the baseball team, and may well realize all our hopes. At present every one is buckling down to examinations, and even Phis, merry tho' we be, must dive beneath the breakers. But be sure we'll come up on the other side.

Yours in the Bond,

Washington, March 8, 1894.

WALTER B. STERRETT.

## PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

The subject of final examinations is the great question at Allegheny now as the time for them approaches. Last year we thought it was finally settled when the Faculty announced that all students who attained a class standing of 45 per cent. (on a scale of 50) would be exempt from examinations. Never was better class work done in the history of the institution than last year and the universal verdict was that the new rule was a success. There seems though to have been some dissatisfaction on the part of those who were not so fortunate as to reach the required excellence and in justice to them the Faculty has revoked its action of last year and now all, both great and small must undergo the crucial ordeal.

Dr. David H. Holmes of New York, has been elected acting Professor of Latin for the Spring term. Dr. Holmes is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan and Johns Hopkins Universities, a thorough scholar and successful teacher. He comes with the best of recommendations and will make a valuable addition to our Faculty. Two courses of lectures have already been announced for the Spring term, one by Dr. Bristol of Chicago on Church History and the other by Dr. Old-

ham of Pittsburgh on India. The Day of Prayer in January was one of much spiritual good to the College. Dr. Humason of Warren preached morning and afternoon and short addresses were made by Prof. Peabody of Harvard and Dr. Flood and Revs. Neff, Branfield and Graham of Meadville. Several students for the first time confessed Christ.

Alumni Day was appropriately observed by Pennsylvania Delta by a banquet at the Budd House. Every active member was present and also Bro. Miner of '81 and Bros. Elliott and Ross of the Faculty. The following toasts received enthusiastic responses: "What are we here for?" Bro. White; "Policy of Phi Delta Theta," Bro. Ross; "Our Own Alumni," Bro. A. C. Elliott; "The Other Fraternities," Bro. Ellis; "Influence of College and Fraternity Life," Bro. W. A. Elliott; "Our Ladies," Bro. Farrar: "Reminiscences," Bro. Miner. Arrangements have been made for a ball game between Penna. Delta's team and Phi Kappa Psi. The game will be played soon after the opening of next term. We may give results later. Our Annual Pan Hellenic banquet will be held sometime during the second week of the Spring term.

We are anxiously looking for the circular letters from some of our sister chapters. So far less than a dozen have been received.

Fraternally yours.

Meadville, March 20, 1894.

ARTHUR STAPLES.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The past two months, usually the quiet ones of the college year, have brought no decided changes to either University or chapter. The time, however, has been well filled with social features and the class dances and banquets have been held this year with greater success than ever.

During this time, Pennsylvania Zeta has been on the alert for desirable men and in consequence our membership has been increased. It is with more than ordinary pleasure that we introduce to the Phi world, Bro. James Warner Butterworth, '96, of Philadelphia and Bro. Erskine Birch Essig, '97, of Spokane, Washington. We feel confident that they will bring honor to both the chapter and Fraternity.

For some time we have been enjoying the various chapter letters which have already reached us. The increased prosperity reported by all is very assuring and we can but congratulate the fraternity-at-large upon its exceedingly bright future.

Another communication received at the house last week, has thrown a feeling of sadness over the whole chapter. It was the news of the sudden death of Bro. W. G. Young, '93. Bro. Young was graduated from Lafayette College in the class of '90 and entered the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania with the class of '93. Upon receiving his degree of M. D. last spring, he opened an office at his late home in Easton, Pa., where he practised his profession until his untimely death on March 10th. Bro. Young's experience of four years in Penna. Alpha rendered his services of great value to our chapter, with which he affiliated soon after entering the University. By a close association for two years in the chapter house, he had endeared himself to us all. In his death the Fraternity loses a most loyal brother.

Alumui Day was a gala day for Philadelphia Phis. The Philadelphia Alumni and Pennsylvania Zeta Chapters united in holding a banquet on the evening of that day. Through the efforts of the committee in charge, it was made the most successful observance of the day yet held in this city. Over fifty Phis, representing chapters from Maine to Ohio were present and renewed the associations of former days. Full particulars will be found elsewhere.

Pennsylvania Zeta continues to be well represented in the various college organizations and committees. Bro. Codman was recently elected Treasurer of the Intercollegiate Debating Association: Bro. June represents the chapter on the Editorial Board of the Pennsylvanian; Bros. Atmore, Butterworth, Miller and Murtagh will take part in the performance of the "Mask and Wig Club" during Easter week; three Phis were elected to offices at a recent election of the "Dr. D. Hayes Agnew Surgical Society."

The athletic season about to open, bids fair to be very successful for Pennsylvania. The 'Varsity crew, base ball and track teams are now undergoing a most systematic training. The crew, for the third year, is in the hands of Coach Woodruff, whose services have done much for Pennsylvania's wonderful athletic growth. Arrangements are being made to row the Annual Cornell-Pennsylvania race on the Delaware during commencement week.

The base ball candidates have been reduced in number from 65 to 20, and Capt. Hollister and Coach Irwin will be able to secure a strong team from this number. Seven from the '93 team are trying for positions. One hundred men are trying for the track team, and the increased enthusiasm in this branch of athletics insures the best teams that ever represented the University in the Intercollegiate Meet.

The whole student body was delighted by the announcement a few days since, that \$100,000 had been subscribed for the erection of the proposed "Student's Hall." This building will fill a long felt need by furnishing a central place of meeting for students of all departments. The success of the project is due mainly to the efforts of Mr. Charles C. Harrison, a Trustee of the University. He has taken a great deal of interest in the matter and secured most of the subscriptions. The Glee and Banjo Clubs have arranged for an extended Easter trip to the South, going as far as Savannah, Ga. The pleasant reception given the clubs last year, insures a successful trip.

Yours in the Bond,

Philadelphia, March 20, '94.

GEO. P. CHASE.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, THE LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have rescued two promising Freshmen, E. R. Hammon of Pottsville, Pa., and F. T. Bare of Philadelphia, thus incressing our chapter roll to sixteen. Bro. Saltzman, '96, has left for Cornell, and Bro. Greenwood has accepted a position in Colorado. Bros. Eavenson, '91, and Smith, '93, honored us with a short visit last month.

The beautiful spring weather has brought the LaCrosse team in the field. It bids fair to hold its own again this year, though it has lost four valuable men. The base ball team is also hard at work, and though the in and out fields are good, we lack a strong pitcher. The spring sports took place in the gymnasium on March 17. Bro. Douglas was entered in the club swinging, and was awarded first prize.

The Sigma Chi Fraternity has been re-established at Leheigh, and has already settled in a chapter house. The Kappa Alpha Fraternity has been established with a membership of nine.

The Banjo and Glee Club have cancelled their Easter trip, and will close a very successful season with concerts in South Bethlehem and Philadelphia.

We celebrated Alumni Day by an informal dinner and literary

Yours in the Bond.

South Bethlehem, March 20, 1894.

F. D. HALLOCK.

## BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA DELTA, RICHMOND COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to the SCROLL, we have initiated into the mysteries of Phi Delta Theta, Wins F. Wilson, Richmond, Va., whom we take great pleasure in introducing to the Phis at large.

Our prospects this year for base ball are particularly bright. We have the best team that we have had since 1890, when we wrested the State championship from the University of Virginia. Our boat crew has always justly been the pride of the college. Our crew has won the French Challenge Cup from all comers, for three consecutive years. Bro. J. H. Read, Jr., rowed as "stroke" each time, and last year Bro. P. S. Bosher was substitute. If the college can put the same crew on the water as last year, the victory will be ours.

The seventh series of the "Thomas Memorial" lectures was begun March 1st, by Dr. Horace H. Furness of Philadelphia. This series of lectures was the most popular of the "Thomas" lectures that has ever been delivered at Richmond College. Our Chapter Hall has been very much improved this session.

Yours in the Bond,

Richmond, March 21, 1894.

W. W. TRICE.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

I believe we have not written since we initiated our last two men. If we have, we know you would not object to hearing such good news even more than once. We have extended the honor of membership in Phi Delta Theta to Fred Marshall Parker, of Enfield, N. C., and also to Louis Sherfesee, Jr., of Rock Hill, S. C. We had the pleasure of forwarding an order to J. F. Newman, of New York, for six badges for our new brothers. I believe we are the only Fraternity in college now whose members have a badge each. Newman sent us some beautiful badges, and the boys are very much pleased with them. Bro. Parker was asked by the Phi Gamma Deltas to join them some weeks before Phi Delta Theta extended her hand toward him. Within a week after we had spiked him he showed his good sense by joining us. During this race the Phi Gamma Deltas had the advantage of us in numbers here, their chapter numbering about thirteen while we had only six. I am glad to say Bro. Parker at once recognized the fact that that there was nothing, necessarily, in numbers, while there was everything in the men themselves.

We expect to get some citizen of Chapel Hill to erect, during the coming summer, a nice hall for the use of our Fraternity. We will, probably, lease this hall—at any rate, we will obtain the use of it for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in some way. At our last meeting a committee was appointed to look into the advisability of this matter, and I think they have met with success.

We are getting along finely now. Wishing you much success, Yours in the Bond.

Chapel Hill, March 13, 1893.

EUGENE DENSON.

# KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

Since our last communication to THE SCROLL Mr. Rice Crooks, '96, of Mt. Sterling, Ky., has been initiated into the Fraternity. Mr. Crooks is a cousin of Bro. C. G. Crooks, who is Prof. of Latin in the University and an alumnus of Kentucky Delta, and he will make the chapter a worthy member. He was very much sought after by other Fraternities here.

We are glad to announce that Brother Willis, '96, has returned for the second term, thereby swelling our number to thirteen and making us stronger numerically than any other Fraternity here.

Brother C. T. Taylor has altered his plans and it is with pleasure that we have him once more in our midst.

On March 2, an oratorical contest was held in order to select a representative to the Inter-Collegiate Contest which comes off in April. We were represented in this contest by Brothers R. S. Taylor and Pearson, and though neither of them was the successful one, both acquitted themselves in a manner that did much credit to the chapter.

Candidates for the base-ball team and for field-day are now in training, and among them Kentucky Delta is well represented.

Shortly before the opening of the second term, Brother Walter B. Palmer, Vanderbilt, '80, made us a short visit. We enjoyed, very much, having such a true and enthusiastic Phi with us.

Yours in the Bond.

Richmond, March 14, 1894.

S. H. CAROTHERS.

#### GAMMA PROVINCE.

## GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

All the college is busily engaged in training and practicing for the coming base-ball season, and in a short time we will have one of the best teams in the South. As is the custom here, a series of games

will be played among the classes before we enter into any inter-collegiate games. After these preliminary games here, we hope to play Mercer and Emory, the next two colleges of importance in the State.

Work on the *Pandora* has been commenced in earnest, and the present volume will be made to surpass in beauty and worth any that has preceded it. Our representative is Bro. George Beckett.

The University boys have reorganized their famous boating club for the spring. It is rather small, consisting of six boats with crews of four each, but it is one of the most enjoyable features of the University. A tennis club has been organized and in a short time a tournament will begin. We have some of the best players in the South and, no doubt, the affair will be very interesting. Among our best players are Fricks, Moreno, Kemp and Hansell.

There will be no more Germans given by the students. It was thought best to discontinue them on account of prejudice against high life at the University, but during the coming few weeks many entertainments given by city friends will be aided by the students and great pleasure is anticipated. With best wishes for all Phis,

Yours in the Bond.

Athens, March 21, 1894.

S. B. Yow.

## TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Since our last chapter letter Tennessee Alpha has had its numbers increased by the initiation of W. S. Fitzgerald, '97, of Nashville. Brother Fitzgerald was much sought after by rival fraternities, and we consider ourselves very fortunate in getting him.

All the fraternities have now elected *Comet* editors, and the board of editors has been organized with J. B. Browder, Chi Phi, as chairman. Phi Delta Theta is represented by Bro. C. P. Williams. The board are at work and the prospects are good for an annual of unusual merit.

Baseball training has already begun. Two competent coaches have been secured and dates for about a dozen games arranged. Among the candidates for places on the team are several Phis.

Field Day, May 18, promises to be especially interesting this year. The other colleges throughout the state are taking an unusual interest in out-door athletics, and Vanderbilt will have to exert herself to retain the position that she has hitherto held.

Fraternally,

Nashville, March 13, 1894.

HENRY J. LIVINGSTON, JR.

## ALABAMA GAMMA, SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY.

Alabama Gamma has never been on a more solid basis, nor in a more prosperous condition than we are at present. Since our last letter we have extended all the benefits and privileges of the brother-hood to Bros. J. R. Rutherford of San Diego, California, and S. J. Parrish of Roanoke, Alabama. These have proved worthy Greeks, and are awake to all the possibilities of Phi Delta Theta.

The first term of this collegiate year closed the first of February, showing in point of class-standing, the best record ever made in our history, and proportionally, the finest ever made by any fraternity in the history of the Southern University. In the social circles, Alabama Gamma is without an equal, and the warm hearts, to which she points with honest pride, have shown the greatest sympathy to her cause, and rejoice in her every victory.

The base ball team is now in fine trim, and all are anxiously awaiting the first match game. We are represented by Bros. Lacey, Donaldson and Newman.

When places of merit are to be filled, Phis are the most conspicuous timber. In the joint debate between the two Literary societies, Bro. Newman is President and Bros. Cousins and Knickerbocker are speakers. Bro. Parrish has been elected anniversarian of the Belles-Lettres Society, and Bro. E. S. Lewis is one of the Commencement orators. Of the eleven delegates to the Annual Convention of the Y. M. C. A., which convened at Montgomery from the 14th to the 19th inst., five were Phis.

We are glad to report some important repairs on the college, and the gradual increasing of the endowment fund, which gives additional security to our future.

Alabama Gamma sends greeting to all Phis.

Yours in Phi Delta Theta,

Greensboro, March 20, 1894.

T. F. SESSIONS.

#### DELTA PROVINCE.

## LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

On January twenty-seventh was laid the corner-stone of the new Arts and Science Building now in the course of erection on the university grounds. The ceremonies were attended by a representative body of students and a large number of New Orleans' prominent citizens and public speakers. Besides this structure, three others are

now building—the chemical and physical laboratories and the workshop. Several other departments will be provided for in the near future. There is every prospect of our moving in next October.

These expectations have given a lively impulse to the college. The students are forming themselves into new clubs and organizations, which bid fair to hold out for time to come. Where at the beginning of the session there was no glee club, we now have two, one of which has already given a successful concert. The Guitar, Mandolin and Banjo Club is an affair of some forty members, and seems to have caught its first inspiration in the old French Opera House when the Princeton boys gave their delightful concert. The Natural History Class, lately formed, is a club that purposes to study taxidermy. It soms to be making fair progress. Last, but by no means least, is tl. Chess Club, organized in December.

Nor has this healthy interest and activity been confined to the general student body. It has made itself felt among the fraternities. There is movement on foot now to form a Pan-Hellenic Association; its object is mainly to further each chapter's efforts in chapter house building—a matter which must soon come up among us. There is reason to believe that such an association will come into existence, and, more than this, will be a source of great profit to the fraternities. Peace and good will now prevails universally among the Tulane chapters.

Louisiana Alpha is flourishing. We have taken in no new men for some months, but our former membership remains constant. Our position is strong at college. We hold offices in all the principal organizations. In college honors we are not behind times. Bro. J. B. Guthrie, Jr., won a gold medal for declamation at the Glendy Burke contest in January. We hope to be able to tell of more medals when we mention the spring games next time. Meantime, our many members who play baseball in a weekly series of games between the class nines attest to the strength of the chapter in the field.

Recently we have had very enjoyable visits from Bro. Slack, from Bro. Foster, of Indiana Alpha, who was bound for California at the time, and from Bro. Potter, of old Miami. The chapter still retains her rooms on Carondelet street, and will give an enthusiastic welcome to all brothers who will remember us while staying in or passing through the city.

S. S. Prentiss, Jr.

New Orleans, March 8, 1894.

## **EPSILON PROVINCE.**

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Alpha gave a reception to her friends on the evening of Friday, March 16. The event was a social one of prime importance, and eclipsed anything of the kind that has happened here in fraternity circles for years. Ohio Alpha has the handsomest rooms in Oxford, and upon this occasion they were truly beautiful. They were decorated profusively with flowers and smilax, and rare potted plants, and were draped with blue and white, and lighted by a multitude of incandescent lights. A harpist was imported from Dayton, and the hard wood floor of the big banquet hall was waxed and smooth for the benefit of the dancers.

The reception was given in honor of Mrs. Sam Gath, who is a most loyal friend to Ohio Alpha, and to whom we are indebted for many favors and kindnesses. Over one hundred invitations were responded to, and friends were present from Hamilton, Ohio, Liberty, Ind., and other cities around. Phi girls were present also from Oxford College and Western Seminary. The reception was one of the most brilliant and perfectly appointed ever given in Oxford, and those persons who were present were lavished with their compliments and praise. In arranging the details for the reception, we are indebted far more than we can express to the loyal band of Phi girls, who were most zealous in assisting us.

Horace K. Herndon, a most excellent young Kentucky gentleman, is pledged to us. His home is in Lancaster, near Lexington.

The Ohio Legislature is considering a plan that is of interest to the Alumni of Ohio Alpha and of Miami University. It is to put Miami University in the same class, in regard to State aid, with Ohio State University. This will insure an annual income of nearly \$50,000, and will place Miami above the financial difficulties with which she has battled since her re-opening.

In a recent letter to the *Beta Theta Pi* from this University, a two line reference to Ohio Alpha is made, in which we are accused of having in the past made a practice of initiating preps. The statement is utterly unfounded, uncalled for and malicious.

Yours fraternally,

Oxford, March 20, 1894.

THOS. D. TEMPLE.

### OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Wesleyan has been called to mourn since our last communication, by the death of her beloved ex-President, Frederick Merrick. He died at the ripe age of eighty-four, a man respected and cherished by thousands of hearts. Last Friday\*all the Ohio Wesleyan alumni who occupy seats in the State Legislature, came up for a visit to their Alma Mater. Two hours of the afternoon were given for a meeting with them, and the whole party then took tea at Monnett Hall. We were glad to grasp the hands of a number of Phis in the company. These were T. H. McConica, President pro tem of the Senate, Cyrus Huling, ex-Prosecuting Attorney of Franklin County, and C. H. Beckham, a representative. This visit of our alumni was highly enjoyed and appreciated by the chapter. Last Sunday we had a pleasant visit from Bro. N. Armstrong, who is located at Logan, and is Auditor of Hocking County.

We are glad to report the initiation of Bro. W. E. Clark, '96, a resident of Delaware. Bro. Linn Colburn will not be with us during the spring term, and Bro. Webb will be absent until Commencement, when he will return to graduate. Three of our Seniors, Bros. Webb, Williams, and Gasser, were selected, with ten others, to give orations before the entire school. Bro. Whitney, the remaining Senior, has been chosen as one of the fifteen Commencement orators.

Our athletic interests are taking a hopeful aspect. We expect to have a base ball team that will keep up our past record, with one or two Phis as players. Bros. Whitney and Lewis report a cordial reception at the hands of our brothers at the Ohio State University when they visited there with the Glee Club. In case the General Convention is held at Indianapolis, Ohio Beta will send no fewer than four men. The college has recently received gifts to the amount of thirty-five thousand dollars from interested friends. Prof. R. S. Fulton, our teacher in oratory, leaves in a short time for Europe, to be absent during the summer.

S. A. KEEN, JR.

Delaware, March 19, 1894.

### OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter the chapter has been enjoying her usual degree of prosperity. Although we have not taken anyone in this term, yet we feel that the chapter is not suffering for membership as some of the other fraternities who have succeeded in pinning their colors on three or four men, chiefly to maintain their numerical strength for the coming year.

This is vacation week at the O. U. The spring term opens March 27, with favorable outlook for a good attendance. We are glad to welcome Bro. McVay into our midst again, after an absence of over two years. The chapter will number sixteen next term, for all the members expect to remain in college.

The party given in January by the chapter for their lady friends at the home of Bro. and Mrs. C. H. Welch, was a grand success, which was due, in a great measure, to the excellent entertainment of our host and hostess. Some of our alumni and members outside of the chapter were present, and enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent. After pleasant hours in games, declamation and song, all repaired to the Berry Hotel where the remainder of the evening was spent "around the festive board."

Ohio Gamma prides herself that she has been victorious in all local affairs this winter. Bro. McCaughey took first place on local contest. In the election of the president of the State Oratorical Association, the Phis proved conclusively to the college that they were the leaders. The fight was almost exclusively inter-fraternal. With the Deltas and Betas arrayed against us and the remainder of the college on both sides. Bro. Foster was elected to the presidency by one vote. Bros. McCune, McCaughey and Johnson will represent the chapter in the contest of the literary societies in June.

The O. U. has never experienced a more prosperous year than the present one. The new catalogue shows a total enrollment of three hundred and sixteen, the largest attendance in the history of the institution. The college has received its usual annual appropriation, and is expecting more, to be expended in the erection of a new Science Building. The Faculty will be enlarged by the return of Dr. Gordy next term.

We have received a number of annual letters from the various chapters, and are pleased to learn that most of them are enjoying as high a degree of prosperity as Ohio Gamma.

The white and the blue were worn by the members in observance of Alumni Day.

In the Bond,

Athens, March 22, 1894.

J. W. BOTHWELL.

### OHIO DELTA, UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER.

The 22d of March marked the close of the second term of the college year. Ohio Delta has worked hard, both in school and out, and justly feels proud of the result.

We are again able to bring forth a new Phi, this time Bro. Wm. B. Chancellor, who we feel assured will make a valuable addition to our chapter.

February 23d was the date for the annual Sophomore-Senior banquet. The affair was a grand success in every way. Every former attempt of this kind was entirely outdone, and as entertainers the class of '96 can not be beaten. On the same evening, the Freshmen handsomely entertained the Juniors.

On the 2d of March, the students gave a very pleasing entertainment, under the name "Potpourri," the first part of which being nothing more nor less than a genuine minstrel performance. A short concert program followed and the entertainment closed with a laughable farce. Although the house was crowded, for some reason, probably a lack of careful management, the entertainment was not as great a success financially as was expected. The proceeds were turned over to "The Index."

Owing to a misunderstanding over the choice of toastmaster, the customary Pan-Hellenic banquet was not held this year. Of the pleasant affairs during the year, this is always one of the most enjoyable to the Fraternity man; besides it is one of the best means of keeping up friendly relations among the different Fraternities. We hope this dissension will not occur again.

Bro. Gaston, '91, now a Senior at Princeton Seminary, visited the resident Phis during vacation. Bro. Cole, of Buchtel, '92, also paid us a short visit recently. He is in the interest of the college and is also manager of the Glee Club.

We are already in receipt of numerous chapter letters. We are glad to learn of the prosperous condition of sister chapters.

Wooster, March 26, 1894.

E. B. BALTZLY.

## OHIO EPSILON, BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

The winter term now nearly past has been a busy one both for Buchtel College and Ohio Epsilon. Never has the interest in college duties been at a greater height than at present; everybody is busy, no one has a moment to spare and all seem to be striving for that which can be obtained only by hard, constant work.

For the first time in several years a College Glee and Mandolin Club has been organized. The club has met with great success, several trips have been made, and everywhere the boys have been received with pleasure. Phi Delta Theta is represented on the club by Bros. Dean, Hollenbeck, Clark, and Thrasher. Bro. Clark as a reader and general "funny man," won much applause and renown.

The fifth annual gymnasium exhibition was held on the 27th of February and the 1st of March, before two crowded houses. This is now one of the most successful entertainments of the year, and already has become so popular that the gymnasium is no longer large enough to accommodate the crowd of spectators, and we have been forced to use the Academy of Music.

The excitement of the foot ball season has died away, but the opening of the base ball and tennis seasons now keeps up the interest in athletics. Our foot ball team expects to take part in the Foot Ball Tournament at the Ohio State Fair this fall. In base ball, the candidates for the nine have been in training under Bro. Clark as captain for several weeks, and expect to do good work as soon as the season opens.

As usual, Ohio Epsilon has received her share of honors this term. We have had not only manager and director of the Glee and Mandolin Club, but also manager and captain of the base ball team.

Bro. Snyder, editor-in-chief of the *Buchtelite*, has just completed a very successful volume of this paper. In oratory, Bros. Clark and Webster captured first and second places in the Senior Ashton Prize Speaking Contest.

There has been no material change in the college or chapter during this term. The other fraternities have initiated one or two men, but as yet we have not added to our number, although several men are under discussion. The chapter has worked very hard this year to secure a chapter house, but thus far it has been unsuccessful, nevertheless we hope before another year rolls around to have at least a rented home.

It is pleasing to learn from several annual letters the general prosperity of the Fraternity.

Yours in Phi Delta Theta.

Akron, March 19, 1894.

L. R. CANFIELD.

## OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Zeta mourns the death of Bro. F. F. Morton, '97, which occurred at his home in this city January 5th. Bro. Morton was a true and loyal Phi, whom we all loved. His gentle and unassuming man-

ner won the respect of every one. To know him was to be his friend. By his death the University lost a good student and Ohio Zeta a noble member. The chapter as a body attended the funeral.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL, we have initiated two men who are now true and loyal Phis. These men, W. A. Reed, '96, and Paul P. Stewart, '97, we wish to introduce to the readers of THE SCROLL.

Several weeks ago Horton Literary Society held their anniversary. A double quartette from Delaware furnished the music for this occasion, and we had a very pleasant visit from two Ohio Beta Brothers, one the business manager and the other a member of the quartette. Our Brothers may think us a little hard to find, but we, nevertheless, are always glad to see any Phis who will take the trouble to hunt us up.

This year, for the first time, the Juniors gave a "hop" to the Seniors, which was in every way a success. Occasions of this kind are becoming more numerous, and O. S. U. is rapidly coming to the front in social matters.

Bro. Sater has recently been elected editor-in-chief of *The Lantern*, our college paper. Bro. Sater is also editor-in-chief of our annual, and, according to indications, we are going to have the finest annual ever published at O. S. U. Yours in the Bond.

Columbus, March 21, 1894.

D. A. PENCE.

#### Indiana Alpha, Indiana University.

Again the smoke of battle has cleared away, and Indiana University holds second place in the State Oratorical Contest. We are quite well satisfied, considering that the University practically offers no advantages in the line of oratory.

Phi Delta Theta continues to hold her own, and to-day we lead the van with twenty-six able and active members. Since our last report we have added two more to our list, and I am happy to introduce Bros. Rhodes and Lemon, true and worthy Phis. Both are Seniors and rank among the most capable of the class.

We continue to come in for our share of college honors. At present we have four members of the Glee Club and first tenor in the I. U. Quartette, which is becoming quite popular over the State. We have the Secretary of both the local and State oratorical associations, and also the President of the State Athletic Association This year we have undertaken the publication of a college annual, *The Arbutus*, and again we come in for three men on its staff. At the recent oratorical election a "squabble" arose which resulted in the formation of two factions, the Phi Gams, Phi Psis, Betas and Delta Taus on one side,

and the Phi Delts, Sigma Chis, Sigma Nus and "Barbs" on the other. There are several prizes to be obtained in the near future, and the outlook for excitement is flattering. As usual, we are allied with the winning side.

The chapter never was more harmonious and prosperous, and the zeal and good fellowship that prevails is truly refreshing.

We heartily approve the notion of a convention at Indianapolis in May, and will send our entire chapter as a delegate when the time comes.

In the recent death of Major Mitchell the University loses one of its ablest Trustees and Phi Delta Theta one of her most loyal and zealous members. We sympathize deeply with our brother, his son, in his great bereavement.

The present term will close in a few days, and we will not resume work till April 3. In the mean time the Trustees will let the contract for our new chapel building. The work will be pushed at once, and by next year we hope to have one of the finest chapels in the State.

Yours in Phi Delta Theta.

Bloomington, March 17, 1894.

ISHAM TAYLOR.

### Indiana Delta, Franklin College.

With an active membership of fifteen, our chapter is doing a pleasant and prosperous work. We have been having, in our Saturday evening meetings, a series of talks on the Bond which have brought to many of us new meanings of the truths contained therein. The interest taken in these talks proves that our members have been impressed anew with our privileges and responsibilities as Phis; with the necessity of developing symmetrically the social, intellectual and moral endowments.

At the late State Oratorical Contest, Bro. C. L. Overstreet was awarded third place with the comment of many in the audience saying that he won a better place. Of the three delegates to the Oratorical Convention, two were Phis. In the Fraternity combination for the election of officers for the ensuing year, O. W. Caldwell was elected delegate to the Inter-State Oratorical Convention.

Prof. Moncrief, an alumnus of our chapter, and at present at the head of our historical department, has accepted the chair of Biblical History in Chicago University. We are sorry to lose him, as he is one of our best men, and has helped materially in building for the college the name its now holds.

The students, headed by Bro. Martin, are working on our college annual. It promises to be an extensive and comprehensive affair. The support already given it insures its success.

We wish to introduce to our brothers, Bro. A. C. Burton, who joined us a few weeks ago. He was last year Principal of the Academy at Vine Grove, Ky., and enters here in the Junior class. We are also glad to welcome among us again Bro. W. C. Monroe.

Next Saturday evening we are going to observe special work in the interests of Alumni Day. We expect to hear from our enthusiastic alumnus, Bro. A. O. Neal, as well as some others. And in speaking of our alumni, we should not forget to mention a visit from Gen. T. J. Morgan a few weeks since.

Yours in the Bond.

Franklin, March 13, 1894.

OTIS W. CALDWELL.

### Indiana Zeta, De Pauw University.

Since our last communication we have added to the roll of Phi Delta Theta the name of three worthy and desirable men, Bros. R. J. Roberts, '95, Fred Hall, '97 and Ernest G. Scotten, '97. We now have the largest active chapter roll of any Fraternity at De Pauw. We have been unusually fortunate this year; none of our members have left school, nor will be likely to do so before the end of the year.

During the Xmas holidays occurred the Inter-Collegiate Debate between Indiana University and De Pauw. Bro. C. A. Prosser was the leader of the De Pauw speakers and brought honor both to himself and the University.

On the evening of March oth, the Indiana Oratorical Association held its contest at Indianapolis. As is her custom, De Pauw stood head and shoulders above all her opponents. Mr. L. F. Dimmitt, Delta Upsilon, De Pauw's orator, easily won first place on composition, and two firsts and a fourth on delivery. At the Inter-State Contest, at Indianapolis, May 10th, the week of our National Conventio, we are confident that Indiana's orator will have no difficulty in gaining first place. Mr. Dimmitt shows oratorical powers of a high order, and is a great credit to De Pauw's new professor in oratory, Bro. A. R. Priest, 'o1. Both Dimmitt and Priest are of the old Carhart school of oratory which has made De Pauw University famous for her public speakers. De Pauw's record in oratory is an enviable one; thus far she has won the State contest nine times and the Inter-State five times.

Bro. Prosser was with us a few days at the time of the State contest. As Vice-President of the Inter-State Oratorical Association, Bro. Prosser is making arrangements for a successful contest, and hopes to perfect the organization of a National Oratorical Association. The present Inter-State Association is to be divided into Eastern and Western Sections and then by union with the Southern League a National Association would be formed. This idea has been strongly advocated ever since Bro. W. A. Bastian, '91, was President of the Inter-State Association.

The base ball season has opened up with brighter prospects for De Pauw than ever before. College enthusiasm in behalf of athletics has made rapid strides forward, the gymnasiums have been newly equipped and over one hundred students are doing active work in the training classes. With full confidence in our managers and team, we certainly expect to deprive Indiana University of the pennant she gained last year.

On Friday evening, March 16th, the Pan-Hellenic Club held its eighth annual banquet at the parlors of the Palace Cafe. The banquet was, in every respect, a great success, and a feast of wit and wisdom was added to that of the already heavily laden festive board about which were seated one hundred and twenty Greeks. All fraternity barriers thrown down, we knew no fraternity, and grasped with friendly hand all brother Greeks, and a broad spirit of Pan-Hellenism prevailed. Bro. A. L. Gary responded in his wonted witty and humorous style to the toast, "The Damascus Blade."

The class of '94 is busily engaged preparing for Class Day. They expect to present an interesting and novel Class Day Exercise.

At a recent election of the staff of the *De Pauw Weekly*, Bro. F. A. Preston was chosen Chief of Local Staff.

The action of the Grand Council fixing the time and place of the National Convention at Indianapolis in May has been a source of great satisfaction to De Pauw Phis. We look forward with pleasure to that time and hope to be present with our entire chapter.

Yours in the Bond,

Greencastle, March 17, 1894.

F. A. PRESTON.

# PURDUE BRANCH, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

While the loss of the Mechanical Engineering Building was a severe blow to Purdue, it will not permanently cripple the efficiency of the college. Steps are being taken toward rebuilding, and, from all appearances, future graduates will have reason to look back on their Alma Mater with greater pride than ever before. Shortly before Lent the Phis gave a dance, which was one of the most successful affairs of the season. This was followed two weeks later by a sleighing party in which about thirty young people participated. After the ride the party held an informal dance.

During the middle of February the College Evangelist, Mr. Sayford, held a series of interesting meetings at Purdue, one of which was a talk to Phis.

Six of our brothers attended the meeting of the State Oratorical Association, which recently met in Indianapolis, and came back more than ever impressed with the invariable characteristic of Phis to "get there."

Yours in the Bond,

Lafayette, March 10, 1894.

R. B. FLATHER.

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Since our last letter we have added to our roll the names of seven loyal brothers, Elmer B. Lane, '97, Frank T. Faxon, '97, William J. Melchers, '95, Edgar Crilly, '97, John D. Neal, '94, Silvio H. von Ruck, '97, and Farley D. McLouth, P. G. The initiation of the three last named on January 26th was made the occasion of a very pleasant reunion and banquet, at which time were gathered together thirty-three Phis, both of this chapter and Michigan Beta. Among the latter we are happy to mention Bros. Hermann, Amos and Gorenflo, who made us a short visit, and Bro. Weidman, who has entered the University and whom we are glad to number as one of the crowd. Bro. Bradfield, who did not return last fall, is with us again for the second semester, and Bro. Gilchrist of the new chapter, Illinois Eta, has entered the University as'a member of the class of '97, making the active membership of the chapter 23, besides several of the members in the Faculty and in other departments of the University.

On December 27th last, occurred the marriage of Bro. G. F. Mulliken, '92, to Miss Lida Procter, the daughter of a prominent citizen of St. Joseph, Michigan, at which place Bro. Mulliken is now engaged in business, and where the chapter hopes for him the brightest success.

In chapter life, as elsewhere, joy and sorrow go hand in hand, and as we rejoice in the happiness of one brother, we are saddened by the death of another which has but recently occurred. Bro. O. D. Vandersluis, of the class of '90, laid aside the burden of life at the home of his parents in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on the 10th, and we are thereby deprived of one of our most loyal alumni and one who, in his life in the chapter, endeared himself to all his associates by his ear-

nestness, devotion and steadfast adherence to the principles embodied in the Bond of the Fraternity.

All interest in athletics is at present centered in base ball, and the outlook is promising for a fine team. Nearly a hundred candidates presented themselves for practice, but the number has been reduced to about forty, and will be still further reduced as soon as outdoor practice is begun.

The members of the chapter are pleased at the prospect of the National Convention's being held at a point so near, and we hope to send a considerable delegation to represent us on that occasion.

Yours in the Bond,

Ann Arbor, March 15, 1894.

ALLEN W. WOLCOTT.

### MICHIGAN BETA, MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE.

Many important changes have taken place, both in our chapter and in the college, since our last letter was written. This year opened with but six members on our roll. This number was increased by the affiliation of Bro. Alwood, '95, formerly of Michigan Gamma, and by the initiation of two '97 men, Oscar Gorenflo of Detroit and Charles F. Herrmann of Lansing. Of our last graduating class, Bro. R. C. Bristol is in business at Marlette, Mich., Bro. L. H. Baker is teaching Natural Science in the Galesburg High School, and Bro. Ben. F. Bain is draughtsman for the Lansing Iron and Engine Works. Bro. C. W. Leipprandt received his degree at the end of the fall term, and is now employed as superintendent of a large farm near Windsor, Ontario. Bro. J. W. Rittenger, '94, left college at the end of last year, but will return in a few weeks. Bro. J. C. Patrick also left at the same time, and is attending the Michigan Mining School at Houghton.

The spring term opened with Brothers H. D. Baker, '97, and N. C. Johnson, '96, absent: the former having accepted a position as manager of the Cushing Land Agency of St. Croix Falls, Wis., the latter intends going into business at his home in Buchanan, Mich.

While we have been rather weak in numbers, on account of so many brothers leaving us, we have not been lacking in spirit. As a result of our hustling, we have four excellent men pledged: one of the class of '96, and three of '97. Two of these will be initiated at our next meeting.

There has been a number of changes made in the college. The administration was entirely changed by the resignation of Dr. Oscar Clute from the President's chair, and of Secretary H. G. Reynolds. They were succeeded by Hon. L. G. Gorton, of Detroit, as President

and Hon. I. H. Butterfield as Secretary. Numerous other changes have taken place in the Faculty.

Bro. V. H. Lowe, '91, has been appointed Assistant Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture and is located at the college.

In the Bond of Phi Delta Theta.

State College, March 9, 1894.

WALTER G. AMOS.

### MICHIGAN GAMMA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

On the evening of December 1st, the ladies of the Pi Beta Phi Fra-

ternity gave a reception to the resident alumni, the active and pledged members of Michigan Gamma, at their parlors on Hillsdale street. The event was a delightful one, and will be remembered with much pleasure by all present. Another very pleasant social event was on January 26th, when the ladies of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity, in honor of their Grand Treasurer-Miss Jennie Nita Angell-received the Greeks of Hillsdale College at the home of Miss Zoa Smith on Manning street. We have also had the pleasure of entertaining several of our alumni and absent brothers since our last communication.

On February 8th, Bro. O. W. Pierce, '91, who is now Principal of the Piano-forte Department of the Ohio Weslevan Conservatory of Music, gave a piano recital at Underwood's Opera House. It was one of the greatest musical treats that the people of this city have ever enjoyed.

A new college paper called the Hillsdale Collegian has been established. It is edited and controlled by the Faculty and students. is a sixteen page, bi-weekly and promises to be a great success.

Lieutenant E. A. Helmick, of the Fourth Infantry of the United States Army, has been detailed as instructor in military science and tactics in Hillsdale College. Company work will begin about April Great interest is manifested in the new department.

Our Alumni Day reception will be given at our parlors March 17th. Several of our alumni will be with us on this occasion, and a very pleasant time is anticipated.

> Yours in the Bond, GEO. W. GREEN.

Hillsdale, March 10, 1894.

#### ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Nearly every Fraternity in the University has given a party or reception during this term. The local oratorical contest, held March 2nd, resulted in a dispute which is, as yet, undecided. The judges made

their award by the percentage system to Elmer I. Goshen, Delta Upsilon, '94. The constitution requires that the contest be decided according to the ranking system. According to the latter method, President Rogers decided that the winner is J. Mark Ericson, Phi Kappa Psi, '94. Mr. Goshen seems to have as good a right to the first place as Mr. Ericson, even with the ranking system of award, and the students are considerably excited over the matter. The Chicago papers have had sensational reports of the trouble from time to time, and it seems likely to result in quite a disturbance. The students will hold a mass meeting Monday, March 12th, and will try to have Mr. Goshen appointed.

A debating contest will be held the first week in April between Northwestern and the University of Michigan. The contestants from Northwestern are E. I. Goshen, '94, Delta Upsilon (College); H. S. Hadley, Phi Kappa Psi, '94 (Law); C. B. Campbell, Phi Delta Theta, '94 (College.) W. F. Burnis, '95, Phi Kappa Psi, won the Congdon declamation prize of \$30.00.

Thursday evening, Bro. P. L. Severs, '83, State University of Iowa, Attorney for C., R. I. & P. R. R., visited Evanston and banquetted Illinois Alpha at Muno's restaurant. Bro. Severs is a loyal Phi, and was once President of the Province west of the Mississippi river. We enjoyed his visit very much, and will always give him our heartiest welcome.

We have pledged during the term J. Arthur Dixon, '96, Grant Jones, '96, Hutchins, '97, and Mott Mitchell, '98.

These are all worthy young men, and held in high esteem by the student body. Mr. Dixon is manager of the base ball team and Mr. Mitchell is first tenor in the college glee club and also of the University quartette.

Bro. C. D. Reimers has been elected manager of the foot ball team for the coming year. Bro. Ray is manager of track athletics. Bro. Paine is business manager of the *Northwestern*. Bro. Campbell was alternate Union League Club Orator, February 22nd.

Tau Kappa Phi, a local society organized two years ago for the purpose of getting a chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon, has given up and disbanded.

Yours in the Bond,

Evanston, March 20, 1894.

D. D. CANFIELD.

### ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

This term has been a very eventful term for Knox. February 15, was founder's Day, it being the fifty-seventh anniversary of the founding of the College. In the morning, at the Old First Church, ad-

dresses were made by several of the alumni and other noted men throughout the State. Many of the alumni and alumnae were present, and the praises of "Old Knox" were sounded on every side. In the afternoon, at the new Presbyterian Church, a complimentary concert was given by the Conservatory of Music and the Department of Elocution. In the evening a crowded house listened to the oration of the day by the Hon. George R. Peck, of Chicago, on "The Kingdom of Light." It was pronounced by many the finest address ever delivered in Galesburg. No complimentary words of mine can do it justice.

The attempt to raise the required amount in order to secure the generous gift of Dr. Pearson, is meeting with good success. Several new prizes and scholarships have recently been established in the languages and sciences.

February 22 was very quiet this year, there was almost no strife over class flags as was formerly the custom. The usual entertainment by the Oratorical Association was given in the afternoon, Bro. Townsend delivering the oration of the day. In the evening the Sophomores were "at home" at the "Sem." This is always one of the pleasantest social events of the year, when all the college is present. Bro. Tunnicliff was on the Reception Committee, and also took part in the farce.

We take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity, Bro. Walter Williams, '96, of Chicago, one of the "stars" of last season's foot ball team; at the close of the season he was elected Captain of next year's team. We hope to have Bro. Hipsley with us again next term.

Bro. Tunnicliff wears the Mills Medal which is given to the best drilled man in the Cadet corps; he is also one of the debaters on the Colton Debate. Bro. Humphreys gave his graduating vocal recital March 13; his pipe organ recital will occur next term. Bro. Humphreys is one of the finest musicians in the Conservatory; he is also a member of the Conservatory String Orchestra.

The base ball team, captained by Bro. Sanderson, has begun out-door training. Knox has a remarkably strong team this year. A tour through Indiana, Iowa and this State is being arranged. We are represented on the team by four brothers. Bros. Brown and Holland are on the Knox Mandolin Quartet.

Bro. Townsend was Debater at the Gnothautii bi-annual open meeting, and Bros. Tunnicliff and Lawrence took the leading parts in the farce given at the close of the program. At the annual Freshman program of the same society, a very clever farce written by Bro. Lawrence, was given, in which he took the principle character. He also delivered an original declamation entitled "The Declamation Contest." Bro. Lawrence is a very talented speaker. Bro. Buchet also appeared upon the program.

March 9th an entertainment was given by the students for the benefit of the "Gym." The program was very novel and interesting and will probably be repeated next term. Bros. Townsend, Tunnicliff and Holland were in the special cadet squad, and Bros. Lewis, Johnson and Cooper in the gymnasium class.

We have received short visits from Bro. Whitney, '84, of Salt Lake City; Bro. W. R. Brown, President of this Province; Bro. Miner, '94, of Kewanee, and Bro. Hipsley, of Table Grove.

Circumstances prevent us from issuing our circular letter this year. Our rooms are in the Tunnicliff Building, corner of Cherry and Simmons streets. We extend a cordial invitation to every Phi who visits Galesburg to come and see us.

Galesburg, March 17, 1894.

Yours Fraternally, HUBERT R. HOLLAND.

ILLINOIS EPSILON, ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The initiation of Illinois Eta has come and gone and left pleasant memories with all of our men. The coming together of men from different chapters has enthused old Epsilon, and she has been exerting herself to new tasks. The probability of a chapter house seems brightening, and we hope before next year to be domiciled in a handsome cottage. We have had the pleasure since our last letter to initiate Brothers Samuel S. Halder, Thomas Pollock and Wilbur F. Atkinson, into the mysteries of our Fraternity. They are all residents of Bloomington, and with the presence of Bro. Scott Williams, of Illinois Eta, materially add to our number. We have had a number of social events during the past two months, among which a smoking concert was very enjoyable. Kappa Kappa Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta have recently entertained with term parties, the Phis being represented at each. Before this SCROLL goes to press, our Fraternity will give, through its own Dramatic Club, assisted by Miss Kate Howard and Miss Katherine Rinehart, a play, "In Honor Bound," at which a full representation of both city and school ladies will be present. Bro. Will Miller has spent a few days in the city recently, visiting friends. Bro. J. H. Shaw has formed a newspaper syndicate, which will soon print some half dozen weekly papers. Bro. R. H. Little has been honored by being elected President of the Young Men's Republican Club, of this city. With best wishes for all Phis.

In the Bond,

Bloomington, March, 1894.

W. B. MERRILL.

## ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have initiated another into the ranks of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . It is Harry M. Denman, of Elyria, Ohio, a man of good standing, socially, morally and intellectually.

In our last meeting of the stockholders of the *Review*, there was an election of officers for the coming year, in which we succeeded better than we had anticipated. We have the business manager for next year from our number—Bro F. L. Conger.

This is near Alumni Day, and as usual we have made preparations for a nice party. We have chosen this way to celebrate the day and find that it works admirably. Our party consists of a dance and banquet.

We were represented at the initiation of Illinois Eta Chapter by Bro. Olmstead, who brought back a most glorious report of that occasion, and we are glad to welcome into the Bonds of  $\phi$   $\Delta$   $\theta$ , another chapter in this beautiful State of ours.

Yours in the Bond.

Galesburg, March 14, 1894.

BERT P. SMITH.

#### ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Fraternity life at the University has received a new impetus during the past week by the establishment of a chapter of Delta Tau Delta.

The fraternities here have good memberships this year considering the financial stringency, but none have a larger chapter roll than Phi Delta Theta. The following is a list of the membership of the different fraternities:  $\Sigma$  X, 20; K  $\Sigma$ , 11;  $\Phi$  K  $\Sigma$ , 4;  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$ , 17; Shield and Trident (Senior), 16:  $\Phi$   $\Delta$  0, 20; total, 124.

We have been very much pleased to find in our midst Bro. O. H. Swigert, who was one of the Phi Sigmas at Lombard who became charter members of Phi Delta Theta. We greatly regret the loss of Bro. Frank F. Gilchrist and congratulate Michigan Alpha on securing in him a worthy wearer of the Sword and Shield.

The Faculty has been materially strengthened by the election of Prof. Evarts Boutelle Greene, Ph. D., of Harvard, to the chair of History. Prof. F. H. Dodge, of the Chicago Atheneum, has been appointed Physical Director to succeed Prof. E. K. Hall. No further

changes have been made in the Faculty. Prof. Greene is a loyal Phi from the Illinois Alpha Chapter.

The University promises to have a strong base ball team in the field this season. The first game on the home grounds will be with Ann Arbor. On account of their successful trip last year, the team will take quite an extended trip this year through Indiana, Ohio, Michigan and Canada.

The new Engineering Hall is rapidly assuming form and will be completed in time for occupancy by the fall semester. The building will cost \$185,000, and will add greatly to the high position which the University now holds in engineering circles.

We were very much pleased to receive a visit from Bro. Little of Illinois Epsilon, and two members of the Gamma Delta Nu of that institution, last week.

The Glee, Mandolin and Banjo Clubs have just returned from a successful trip through the State. Bros. Hobbs and Phillips stopped at Bloomington on the return trip to attend a party given by the Epsilon Chapter, and report a very enjoyable time.

At the recent In-door Athletic Meet, Phi Delta Theta, with its lady friends, occupied a section of seats and witnessed several Phi victories. After the meet an informal reception was held in the Chapter rooms.

Phi Delta Theta during its short career has been more than fortunate in its choice of men. Following is a list of honors which members of the chapter now hold: Editor-in-chief of the *Illini*, three members of the editorial staff, President of the Y. M. C. A., President of the Senior class, University Orator, President and two members of the Mandolin and Guitar Club, member of Banjo Club, leader and three members of the University Orchestra, Secretary and Treasurer of the Student's Social Club, Vice President of the Athletic Association, Historian of the Freshman class, assistant editor of the University Annual, champion 50 and 110-yard runner, champion broad jumper, champion low hurdler, champion shot putter, and the two half backs of the foot ball team, and the captain of the track team. We are represented on the Faculty by Bros. Piatt and Sevenson, Assistant Professors in French and Physics.

In conclusion we will say that Illinois Eta is in a very prosperous condition, with bright prospects for increased membership and honors.

Yours in  $\Phi i - \kappa_0 i \alpha$ .

Champaign, March 17, 1894.

FRANK H. HAMILTON.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Alumni Day was celebrated by a spread at the chapter house, at which several local alumni, together with a number of the actives, responded to toasts. The house was prettily decorated with flowers and the Fraternity colors, and presented a very inviting appearance. After about three hours of pleasure the company broke up, all declaring that a better time had never been experienced by Wisconsin Alpha. The chapter is in about its usual condition. The initiates this year were A. T. Browne, of Des Moines, Iowa, Senior law, and the following Freshmen: Don M. Sutor, of La Crosse, Wis.; Wm. H. Mann and Arthur W. Fairchild, of Marinette, Wis.; and Reginald Jackson, of Madison, Wis.

Athletics in the university have taken a decided boom this year. During the winter an athletic meet took place and was a grand success in every particular. Several cross-country runs have taken place and have proved to be successful. The above athletic events were under the direction of Brother P. H. Davis, who also coached the foot ball team last fall. The candidates for the base ball team are practicing assiduously, and the prospects for a good team are very bright. The crew candidates are also working hard and give promise for a good crew.

The glee, mandolin and banjo clubs, under the management of Bros. George T. Simpson and Alex. G. Paul, will start on an extended trip next Monday and will be gone about two weeks. The clubs this year have had good training and play very well; we have five men in the clubs.

We are to give up our present chapter house in June, but will have another by the time the fall term opens.

Yours in the Bond,

Madison, March 28, 1894.

F. A. WHEELIHAN.

MISSOURI ALPHA, MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY.

Since the last letter but few events have happened except the usual routine duties of college life, which are worth while mentioning; one of the most important being the establishment of a new weekly paper here, *The M. S. U. Tiger*, the Fraternities starting the "log rolling." Brother Johnson is one of the Business Managers.

We are very sorry to lose Brother Clifford Swiztler, who has been for several years one of the pillars of Missouri Alpha. Brother Switzler has removed to Booneville, where he will edit the city department of the *Democrat*, his grandfather's paper. While we lose Brother Switzler, we will gain another old Phi in Brother Ed. Watson, who is going to return to the University and study law.

On the twenty-second of February, the chapter gave a reception to its young lady friends. Dancing was indulged in, after which were served refreshments. It was considered by all to have been a delightful occasion.

Before the next issue of the SCROLL, all the contests of the University will have been decided. Last Saturday night the Inter-Society contest was held. We were represented by Bro. Groves as orator. Although Bro. Groves did not win, he gave evidence of coming powers as an orator. Brothers Thompson and Johnson will represent the Phis in the annual Shakespeatean contest. In the preliminary for the Inter-Collegiate contest, Brother Macfarlane will contest. The winner will represent the M. S. U. in the contest at Sedalia. This contest is a rather uncertain quantity, but as to post form, Mr. X. J. Wilf by of Central, who won second last year, and is one of the boys who are applying for a charter of Phi Delta Theta in that institution, ought to be a good winner.

I am yours in the Bond,
CHARLES ROY MACFARLANE.

Columbia, March 7, 1894.

## MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Following the wedding of Bro. Morrison, reported in a previous letter, occurred that of Bro. E. C. Whaley and Miss Mayme Tyler. The members of the chapter drove out to the home of the bride, several miles from town, and after witnessing the ceremony, assisted with true Phi spirit in disposing of an elegant supper. We departed only after several Phi songs and a rousing Phi yell. Next day news was received of the marriage of Bro. W. G. Palmer and Miss Ora Clark, of Red Oaks, Cal., at Rockport, Ill. Bro. Palmer is a student of McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago. Of the four Phis in the class of '93, three have married.

On the night of March 9th, we escorted G. B. Lyons, '95, through the triple gates. Bro. Lyons has all the characteristics of a model Phi, and we gladly introduce him to the Fraternity at large.

The second convention of the Beta Sigma Omicron society was held here in the autumn. A charter was granted to applicants from Hardin College, Mexico. This the fourth chapter in the State. The others being at M. S. U., Columbia; Missouri Valley College, Marshall; Synodical College, Fulton. The chapter at this place is in excellent

condition and numbers among its members many fair wearers of the sword and shield.

Arrangements are being perfected for a joint picnic with Missouri Alpha, at some place midway between here and Columbia. It will, probably, be held some time in May. A great time is expected.

The first two issues of *Town Talk*, a society paper published by Bros. Noland & Henderson, at Kansas City, have made their appearance. It is a bright, breezy paper and promises to receive a hearty support in the State.

The annual letters beginning to come in show a most prosperous condition of the Fraternity of which we are justly proud. We think the action of the General Council in changing the time and place of holding the next National Convention a wise one.

Fulton, March 19th, 1894.

Fraternally, W. H. FORSYTHE.

#### MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

In this letter we introduce Brothers A. C. Caldwell, '97, and G. H. Boeck. '97, both fine men. This year, as usual, we have been fortunate in securing the pick of the Freshman class. Although our only rival, the  $\Sigma$  A E, has been established two years, she has not succeeded in weakening our position in the least.

We were pleased to receive several chapter letters the last week, and look forward to the arrival of the others. We expect to start ours on its way in a week or two. On February 23, we gave in our hall another pleasant card party. It was rather late in the morning when the carriages had all rolled away. Preparations for the second annual banquet of the Alumni Association of St. Louis have been almost completed. The date has been fixed for March 28, the date of our initiation into Phi Delta Theta. Brothers McCarty and Madill had the pleasure of being present at the initiation of Illinois Eta. They returned enthusiastic over our new chapter.

The Faculty has very recently changed the name of our Polytechnic School to that of the School of Engineering of Washington University. The change was thought to be expedient, as some of the bright and wide awake citizens of St. Louis were want to confuse this department with a grammar school here of the same name. We have received several valuable additions to our Library in the last month or two. As soon as the new location of the University is settled, the erection of a fine fire-proof Library Building will be immediately commenced, as there is about \$100,000 waiting to be devoted to that

purpose. The University has adopted a new flag-pin—the design of Brothers Wilson and Miller. It is a decided improvement upon the old button. A base ball team will probably be found this year. Suitable grounds are at such a distance from the University, that for the last two years we have failed to have a team. Several of our members will be successful candidates for positions upon it. Two new clubs have been formed at the University this year—a German and an Outing Club, and both are flourishing.

Brother Stevenson has been elected President of the Glee Club, making the leaders of all three clubs, Phis. Brother Hudson delivered a toast for the class of '93, at the banquet of the Alumni Association of Washington University, on February 6. Brother Whittemore won the hurdle race at the Pastime's Indoor games, March 10. Brother Holmes has accepted the chair of Architecture at the State University. Brother Huning is in charge of the boilers at the Midwinter Fair, and will be glad to meet all visiting Phis.

Yours in the Bond.

St. Louis, March 9, 1894.

J. C. CUMMINGS, JR.

### IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The greetings of our chapter have gone out so recently to Phis everywhere that the reporter has nothing new to tell. On account of a local entertainment, our chapter could not observe Alumni Day with an appropriate banquet as we did a year ago. But the big heart of Bro. C. G. Watkins, '93, always overflowing with good fellowship, found expression in a large box of fruit that he sent the chapter. Then, of course, friends were invited in to help make merry. March 17th was the time, and Phi Hall was the place, and in all 32 people enjoyed the generosity of this loyal alumnus. Would that many of the alumni would mark March 15th in their calendar and think that day of the good times they had in college.

In February, Bro. Watt, '96, gave up his work for the year and returned to his home in Sioux City. His genial face is sadly missed, and we hope he may again occupy his vacant chair next September.

The Iowa State Oratorical Association held its annual meeting in Fairfield February 20th and 21st. Two of I. W. U's three delegates were Phis. Bro. Roth, '95, was elected Vice President for the ensuing year. Next year the meeting will be held here. Fifteen colleges are represented in the association, and this year I. W. U. ranked fourth.

Probably the most interesting event of the season was an intersociety debate on the Income Tax, March 9th. Three of the six speakers were Phis.

Bro. Perdew, '94, was elected President of the Athletic Association at a recent meeting, and Bro. Young, '95, head of the department of miscellaneous sports.

The student subscription for a Y. M. C. A. Building was recently augmented to nearly \$10,000, and an active canvass for funds will soon be made.

The detail of our military officer has been extended to four years. thus insuring another year of first class work in that line.

Bro. W. R. Gray, '87, a prosperous physician in La Mars, Iowa, and one of the most loyal Phis that ever quaffed the Grecian elixir, made the boys a brief visit recently. With best wishes for Phis everywhere.

Yours in the Bond,

Mt. Pleasant, March 20, 1894.

ED. W. HEARN.

#### MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Minnesota Alpha takes pleasure in announcing the continued prosperity of the college and the success of the chapter during the half year that has passed. Since our last letter, we have initiated Earl H. Simpson, of Winona, Minn.

The annual banquet of the 15th was an occasion highly enjoyable to the local chapter and to the large number of alumni present. The following toasts were responded to: Phi Delta Theta—A. W. Ringland, D. D.; Phis as a Moral Hazard—W. E. Higbee; Phis in Athletics—C. E. Adams; Elien Terry—L. A. Straight; Phi Delta Theta as an Aid to College Government—Conway MacMillan; Phis in Politics—J. B. Cotton; Minnesota Alpha—W. A. Godward; Our Phi Girls—F. B. Hertzell. The old Phi songs were liberally interspersed through the program. The rest of the evening was spent in a genuine, jolly Phi reunion, such as only Phis can have. The event was to us the most enjoyable of the year. Before parting, the alumni decided to hold three banquets each year in addition to the annual.

Bro. Adams has been chosen as one of the three debaters to represent our University against the University of Wisconsin on the annual debate. Bro. Godward has been elected as one of the directors of *Ariel* Board for the coming year.

Yours in the Bond,

Minneapolis, March 20, 1894.

W. A. GODWARD.

### KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL, Kansas Alpha has been strengthened by the accession of two good men from the Freshman class, Joseph E. Smith, of Minneapolis, and Joe Holdren, of Olathe.

On the Saturday evening following Alumni Day, the Phis gave an informal reception and hop. On this occasion we were glad to have present, besides the members of the active chapter, Bros. Caldwell and Case, and Bro. Le Seuer and wife. Early in the evening a short program was presented, consisting of a felicitous opening address by Bro. Nichols, as president, followed by a song from the quartette Higgins, Holdren, House and Franklin. Bro. Sutermeister then gave a short address in which was shown forth the prominence attained by alumni Phis in the various professions, Law, Theology, Literature, Politics, etc. Another song by the quartette, then the program ended with an "original" poem by Bro. O'Bryon. This consisted largely in characterizations of the various alumni of the chapter.

There is at present an abundance of good Fraternity material in the University. In this connection, it is significant that during the last six years the number of students in the School of Arts has increased from 118 to 323, when there has been no increase in the number of Fraternities. Thus the nine Fraternities, aggregating 125 to 150 members, are able to discriminate carefully in making their selections.

A very noticeable feature in the social life of the University is the increased part taken in society by associations of non-fraternity students. The Fraternities may be said to have had an almost exclusive monopoly on the pleasures of society until last year. Since then numerous hops have been given by the "Independents" These social functions have, in fact, been repeated so frequently that the "Independents" have become exposed to the same criticism that has always been made by them upon the Fraternities, viz.: that the time, money and health of the student are wasted by social dissipation. But as long as the "Independents" do not go to an extreme in the matter of giving parties and keeping late hours, surely no one can regret the new movement.

Lawrence, March 18, 1894.

EDWARD O'BRYON.

### NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

The Quarter Centennial of the University of Nebraska, which means so much to this young, ambitious State, has gone on record as the most enthusiastic educational gathering in the entire history of the State. A thousand enthusiastic guests were here. Scarlet and cream floated over the whole city, the seven denominational colleges not excepted.

Governor Crounse presided at the opening exercises. The speeches of welcome and response contained many bon mots. A number of the members of the legislature of 1869, which gave the charter to the University, were present, and entertained the audience with most interesting reminiscences of those days of "first things."

This twenty-fifth anniversary witnessed the first Greek and Latin plays by students of a western institution; several scenes from the Antigone of Sophocles, and from Plautus' "Captivi" were presented. They were pronounced exceptionally fine by visiting university authorities.

All the music for the occasion was given by the University students, after months of careful and skilled training. It included an orchestra and chorus; also mandolin and glee clubs. The enthusiasm of these students for this occasion made possible the finest rendering of music by amateurs that has ever been given in this city.

Dr. George Elliott Howard, an alumnus and former professor in this institution, but now of Leland Stanford, gave the principal address. His subject was, "The West and the American Public University." He handled the subject like the master and seer that he is, and carried his audience with him in his advanced ideas regarding education. His influence upon these young minds will be heard from in years to come. As was fitting for this celebration, the rare event of conferring honorary degrees occurred. Those thus honored were Dr. Howard, Dr. Harper of the University of Chicago, Prof. H. W. Caldwell of this institution, and others.

The ceremonies of this most ceremonious occasion closed with an alumni banquet, and the Junior Promenade at the Capitol.

Notwithstanding these magnificent intellectual and social entertainments, Phi Delta Theta felt it incumbent upon them to cap the climax by an initiation. Those initiated were: Henry Kingsley Wheeler, Edward Walter Tillson and George Roger Lewis, all of the class of '97. This makes us fifteen strong.

The visiting Phis at the celebration were Bros. Lewis, Foree and Churchill (charter members), and Bros. Dorsey, Guilmette, Palmer, Wing, Nusz and Hetzel.

Fraternally,

Lincoln, March 14, 1894.

CHAS. A. ELLIOTT.

### CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL, very little except the regular routine work has characterized the University and California Alpha. We were sorry to lose from among us Bro. Willis, '93, who departed for his home last month to take up the active practice of the Law. Bros. Willard and Lewis, of '97, have both been obliged to discontinue their studies for the rest of this term on account of ill health, but both expect to be back at the beginning of the next.

The University has lately received a gift of \$400,000 for a Technical School from the will of Mr. Wilmerding, of San Francisco. A still larger gift of \$700,000 had been received before for the same purpose from James Lick. The Regents will try to combine these sums, if possible, for one great institution. Our new Electrical Engineering building will be completed by Class Day, and be ready then to furnish electric lights for our buildings and grounds. The Regents are also seriously considering the advisability of building dormitories—a dining association where students can get their meals at nearly cost price is already in successful running order.

Our University Charter Day comes on March 23rd, and out of three speakers, two will be Phis. Bro. Wm. Carey Jones, '75, will represent the Faculty, and Bro. Avery, '94, the student body.

On Alumni Day, which comes next Thursday, a banquet of our recent alumni will be held in San Francisco, when the permanent chapter home scheme will be pushed.

We will give our third Annual Tugboat Excursion in a few weeks. These affairs have proved the most enjoyable that we have ever given, and are highly appreciated by our young-lady friends in particular.

Our college annual this year promises to be of particular merit—its specialty will be photographs. (All chapters wishing to exchange with us will please send word as soon as convenient). It will be out on April 11th, which is University Day at the Midwinter Fair. On that day the Fair Grounds will be turned over to the students and their friends; our battalion will give an exhibition drill; there will be a foot ball game between the graduates and undergraduates, and other specialties.

Our relations with the other Fraternities in college continue upon the best of terms. After Lent, the Beta Theta Pi expect to open their new home with a Pan-Hellenic house-warming. A Pan-Heavenly "love-feast" occurred last Friday evening when the Kappa Alpha Thetas welcomed their new Greek sisters the Tau Deltas. The latter makes ten Fraternities in college, but their numbers include less than one-third of the student-body, so that there is ample opportunity for the selection of the best of material by all.

Before our next letter Class Day will be upon us. It is on May 12th, and we especially invite all Phis who are visiting the Fair to be with us on that day. California Alpha is fortunate this year in that it will only lose two men by graduation, Bro. Avery and your Reporter, so that at the beginning of next year we ought to be exceptionally strong. If our building plans materialize before that time, we shall be doubly secure.

Congratulations to our new baby—Illinois Eta.

Yours in the Bond,

Berkeley, March 10, 1894.

FRANK S. BOGGS.

# PERSONALS.

Virginia &-Chas. M. Waite, '93, is practicing law in Culpepper, Va.

Pennsylvania 4— Ralph B. Reitz, '89, is studying dentistry in Philadelphia.

Virginia Δ- Adolphus Blair, Jr., '93, is in the wholesale livery business, Richmond, Va.

Missouri B-L. O. Rodes, '88, is practicing medicine with his father in Mexico, Mo.

Nebraska A—Ed. Churchill, '85, has been elected city attorney at Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Iowa A-K. W. Mayne, '93, is prospering in the real estate business in Council Bluffs.

Missouri B-W. M. Dicken is a junior at the Keokuk Medical College, Keokuk, Iowa.

Missouri B-W. A. Tincher is junior partner in the law firm of Bailey & Tincher, Fulton, Mo.

Massachusetts A-W. R. A. Wilson, '92, had a poem in the March number of Munsey's Magazine.

Missouri B-D. P. Bartley is assistant cashier of the Callaway County Savings Bank, Fulton, Mo.

Iowa A-H. H. Carter, 91, has completed his law studies and was recently admitted to the Iowa bar.

Missouri B—S. Ed. Young occupies the pulpit of the First Presbyterian Church of Asbury Park, N. J.

Pennsylvania  $\Delta$  — James W. Campbell, '93, has been appointed pastor of M. E. Church at Kinzua, Pa.

Iowa A—F. S. Payne, '92, has recently been honored by being chosen as a member of the Northwestern Law Review.

Nebraska A — Roy G. Codding, '85, has recently returned from Africa, where he has been working in the mission field for several years.

Ohio B—J. M. Butler, '92, has just graduated from the O. S. U. Law School, and has been admitted to the bar at Columbus, where he will do business with one of the chief law firms of the city.



HUGH TH. MILLER, INDIANA GAMMA. '88, SEC'Y OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

Iowa A—Chas. S. Rogers, '91, editor of the Mt. Pleasant Daily and Weekly News, was married to Miss Lillian Kendig, of Knoxville, Iowa, March 20th.

Massachusetts A—Rev. George L. Richardson, '88, of Albany, N. Y., preached at the morning service in the Williams College Chapel, on March 11.

Ohio B—A. V. Evans, '90, has resigned his position on the *Ohio State Journal*, and has accepted the position of Managing Editor of the *Dayton* (O.) *Times*.

Ohio B—J. S. Bitler, '78, is in the evangelistic work and is having marked success. He recently held a meeting in Trinity M. E. Church, Cincinnati, accompanied with such power and fruits that he has been requested to return and conduct a union revival effort under the auspices of the Methodist churches of the city.

Nebraska A.—Bro. I. R. Hitt spent a few hours at the University of Nebraska last month. After looking over the institution, he was prevailed upon to talk to the chapter upon Phi Delta Theta in general. A very pleasant hour was spent in this way. The hints that he threw out have made a lasting impression upon the chapter.

Minnesota A—George J. Lewis, '84, one of the early members of this chapter, after editorial work for several years on papers at Ketchum, Idaho, and Butte City, Montana, is now cashier of the "First Bank of Ketchum, Geo. J. Lewis & Co." He says: "Though separated from my dear old college associations by 2,000 miles of distance and twelve years of time, there is still and always will be a warm place in my heart for them.

Pennsylvania Z—Dr. Damaso T. Laine, '86, of Media, Pa., is now in Cuba, and from there will go to Europe to spend some time, visiting the leading foreign hospitals. Dr. Laine recently received a high compliment from Dr. J. William White, the eminent surgeon, commending him for the efficient manner in which he treated the case of Col. A. K. McClure, editor of the Philadelphia *Times*, in his recent illness, and charging him as being directly responsible in the saving of the life of the famous editor.

Kansas A—W. E. Vincent, who affiliated with the Kansas chapter from Iowa Alpha, '85, was united in marriage to Miss Jennie May Cooley, at Galena, Kansas, Dec. 31, 1893. Miss Cooley was a graduate of Oswego College for

young ladies, Oswego, Kansas. Mr. and Mrs. Vincent have their own home, made ready for occupancy before their wedding, and are "At Home" to friends at Hutchinson, Kansas. Bro. Vincent is First Vice President and Secretary of the "Vincent Cattle Company" owning extensive ranches in that State.

Tennessee A-Concerning J. H. Dortch, '79, the Nashville Banner says editorially: Ex-Senator Ios. H. Dortch has disposed of his interest in the Somerville Reporter and Though he made only a side issue of journalism, he established a reputation as an easy and well informed writer, and his withdrawal from the ranks of the press fraternity in Tennessee will be much regretted. His disposal of his newspaper interest, it is said, precedes his probable removal from the State. If such is his determination Tennessee will lose one of her brightest young men. As the author of the Dortch Australian ballot law he is widely known throughout the State, and has numbers of friends and admirers, who will be sorry to learn of his contemplated removal; He is yet a young man, and wherever he goes he will be certain to carve out a bright future."

Tennessee A—Concerning Lytton Taylor, '76, a charter member, the Nashville American says editorially: nomination by the President of Mr. Lytton Taylor, of this city, as United States District Attorney for Alaska, is quite gratifying to his host of friends and to his fellow Democrats. Mr. Taylor is in the prime of life, and is well equipped for the new field before him. He is a throough and active Democrat; ever ready to do all that lies properly within his power to subserve its interests. The best wishes of his native city will follow him to his distant post." In a local notice the American says: Taylor is 37 years of age. He attended the University of Nashville, and he is a graduate of Vanderbilt University law class of 1876. He also attended the Harvard Law School for a few months, but was compelled by bad health to return home, where he soon took up the practice of his profession. He at once took high rank at the bar, and in 1887 was elected City Attorney, which position he filled with credit for three years. In 1883-85 he represented the Democracy of Davidson County in the lower House of the General Assembly, where his abilities were speedily recognized. He is the author of a digest of the reports of the Tennessee Supreme Court from its organization down to the beginning of the present term, which is in general use over the State, and is a member of Nashville Commandery of Knights Templar, as well as being a thirty-second Degree, Scottish Rite Mason. His headquarters will be at Sitka and he will enjoy a salary of \$3,000 a year.

Wisconsin A—Editor of The Scroll, Dear Brother: I send you herewith a newspaper mention of Herman F. Fehr, who is a Wisconsin Alpha boy, and who is prominent enough to be nominated for Mayor of the city of Milwaukee. Yours truly, Geo. Banta. (Indiana Alpha, '76, State Agent of Phoenix Insurance Co., Menasha, Wisconsin.)

- "Milwaukee, March 25.-The Democrats of Milwaukee have nominated the strongest municipal ticket they have presented to the voters for many years. The ticket is headed by Alderman Herman F. Fehr, of the second ward. During the two years that he has been a member of the Common Council Mr. Fehr has attended to the duties of his office in such an able manner that he has won words of praise from members of the opposition. As Chairman of the Judiciary Committee he has had to solve many difficult problems, but he has mastered all of them and, as a result, the council has not been made to shoulder the responsibility of any faulty legislation. Unlike many aldermen, Mr. Fehr has given a large portion of his time to the performance of official duties and has never been absent from a council meeting except through illness. From the first he has been recognized as the leader of his party in the council. Quick of perception, a ready debater and always guided by a spirit of fairness and justice, he has been looked upon by the citizens of Milwaukee as the model alderman.
- "His voice and his vote have always championed honest measures and have always opposed schemes born of corruption and fostered by unworthy influences. His vigorous opposition to an attempt to award the contract for the erection of the new City Hall to a bidder whose figures were largely in excess of the appropriation, secured for him the praise of every reputable citizen, and it was through his efforts that new bids were called for and the city saved thousands of dollars. If elected Mayor the people who have watched his course in the council are satisfied that all jobs and boodle ordinances will meet prompt vetoes at his hands.
- "Mr. Fehr is a man of education and ability. He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, at Madison, and is an honored member of the Milwaukee bar. He has a large practice, having succeeded to the law business of Judge Ludwig, when he was elected to the Bench of the Superior Court. Like Mayor Hopkins, of Chicago, he is young, handsome and a bachelor. Mr. Fehr is of a genial and sociable disposition, and has hosts of friends who will work for his election without regard to their political belief. He will receive the support of a

large portion of the young men of Milwaukee, who rejoice in an opportunity to disprove the time-worn theory that a man must be 100 years old before he can be eligible for office."

# Kentucky A—Reminiscences from a Founder:

"Editor of THE SCROLL, Dear Sir and Brother: Your circular at When received some time ago 1 thought I would have time to search a little into old letters and send you something definite, but have not succeeded in this and simply write you a line in acknowledgment of your letter. I simply remember and with some obscurity, that at Centre College, Danville, we began with three members-Wm. George and a Williams, I think, but not quite sure of this last name. George still lives, a minister in the Southern Presbyterian Church. The last I heard of him he was settled at Ft. Worth, Texas. After leaving college I ceased to know much about The Society was almost nothing at that time, and in the Order. Centre College there was at that time little material for such an association. Its rules then required a rigid morality. Still, after '50 or '51, I think quite a number were added. Rev. William George, if you could find him, could and would give you many interesting reminiscences of those early days at Centre College.

Fraternally yours,
Duncanville, Ill., March 22, '94. H. MAC HATTON.''

Wisconsin B—The following is from a charter member of Wisconsin Beta, who through his sons, has double ties to the Fraternity:

.. Dr. John Edwin Brown, My dear Sir: I am in receipt of your kind invitation to give some reminiscences concerning the establishment of Phi Delta Theta at my alma mater. I am sorry I am not able to give you anything interesting enough to be worthy of consideration. The chapter of which I was a charter member was established during the last few months of my college life. The Faculty of the University were not in favor of such societies, and therefore our meetings were few and very quiet. My connection with the Society came so late in my college life, and was so short, that I really knew but little of its work, and did not reap much benefit from it. The first members of the chapter at Lawrence were all my particular, personal friends, most of them classmates.

"I have learned some more of the Fraternity in late years, as I had one son, Charles F., who joined it at De Pauw University, and another, Elliott Harroun, who became a member at Wabash College. My son Charles died in 1887, at the age of 20. My son Harronn lives with me here. They both thought much of the Society in their college days.

Fraternally yours,

Chicago, March 17, '94. D. Judson Jenne."

Indiana Z – C. O. Perry, '69, a charter member, and now manager of the Columbian Banking Co., Mills Building, San Francisco, writes from Denver, while on a business trip:

"Dear Bro.: Your circular letter is at hand. I shall be pleased to comply with your request at some future time if desired. I would not have time to get an article to you by the 25th inst., as this is now the 23rd. If the policy and practice of Phi Delta Theta are the same now as set forth in the "Bond," the Fraternity cannot be otherwise than an aid to "college government." There are many reasons why this is so. I would be pleased to state some of them if I had time.

"Some six months since I remitted \$3 for a catalogue and have heard nothing from it. Has it been published, if not, when will it be? When will the long promised History be published? I leave in a day or two for my home, San Francisco. I see you have my address 319 Pine Street, it is 236 Bush Street.

Yours in the Bond,

C. O. PERRY."

Indiana  $\Delta$ —President W. T. Stott, of Franklin College, who was one of the charter members of this chapter, writes concerning its founding:

"Editor of The Scroll, Dear Brother: A gentleman by the name of Morris or Morrison came along in 1861 and organized a chapter of  $\phi$   $\Delta$   $\theta$  in this Institution; we met a few times, and then went out to try the realities of war. Since my return to civil life I have taken no active part in the organization—therefore you see I am almost 'a heathen man and a publican.'

Most truly,

W. T. STOTT."

Wisconsin B—From the law office of John A. Owen, Union Block, Pomona, California, comes this most interesting letter concerning the history made by our Lawrence University Chapter in the short time of its existence:

Yours requesting some reminiscences of Beta Chap-" Dear Sir: ter of Wisconsin, of Phi Delta Theta, at hand. In some way I never understood, this chapter is recorded as part of Alpha Chapter of Wisconsin. It is true that it did not survive at Lawrence University, at Appleton, Wisconsin, after the class of 1859 and 1860 graduated. The College Faculty opposed secret societies strenuously, and in 1855 every member of a certain secret society there who would not withdraw from it was expelled from the college. I think that no member of the Faculty ever knew of the organization of the Phi Delta Theta in Lawrence University. We did not tell them and we did not for their sake deny ourselves the right, as we considered it, to organize anything we chose, so long as we in no way interfered directly or indirectly with the good order and well being of the college or anybody else. Our members were Norman Buck, afterwards a Justice of the Supreme Court of Idaho Territory, and now, I think, a Judge at Spokane, Washington: Samuel Boyd, afterwards County Judge of Ontagamine Co., Wisconsin, at Appleton, where he still practices law: Albert R. Dyer, now in the Government Printing Office at Washington: D. Judson Jenne, a civil engineer of high reputation and now at 199 Park avenue, Chicago: James P. Maxwell, of Boulder, Colorado, formerly a member of the Legislature of that State, and largely identified with the lumber interests there; Jared Thompson, still practicing law at Milwaukee, and formerly in the Legislature of Wisconsin: John A. Owen, one of the framers of the Constitution of South Dakota, Judge Advocate General of the Militia of Dakota Territory and now practicing law at Pomona, California; Nathan Paine, who was killed in 1864 in a cavalry charge in Georgia; Wilbur F. Yocum, now in Florida, and always a Professor and President of a college: John E. Davies, still Professor of Chemistry at the State University at Madison, Wisconsin, and Edward De Riemer, for many years a missionary in Ceylon, and now a minister of the Gospel in Wisconsin. These eleven constitute our whole membership from first to last, I think. Ten, as you observe, are still living and scattered among six or seven different States-good men and Yours in the Bond. loyal citizens.

Poniona, Cal., March 21, '94.

JOHN A. OWEN."

#### THE STANDARD DICTIONARY.

Completion of Volume 1 of the two-volume edition of Funk and Wagnall's Standard Dictionary of the English Language.

This volume makes up 1,060 pages and with the second volume promised for June, 1894, will bring the work up to 2,200 pages, 280,000 words and 4,000 illustrations. The proportions to which the language has grown is shown by this table:

JOHNSON Dictionary, total terms in A	2.886
WORCESTER Dictionary, total terms in A	6,983
STORMONTH Dictionary, total terms in A	4.692
WEBSTER (International) Dictionary, total terms in A	8,358
CENTURY Dictionary, total terms in A	15,621
THE STANDARD DICTIONARY, TOTAL TERMS IN A 19	3,736

The full number of words and terms in these dictionaries for the entire alphabet is as follows: Johnson, 45,000; Stormonth, 50,000; Worcester, 105,000; Webster, (International), 125,000; Cestury (six volumes, complete, 225,000; STANDARD, nearly 300,000.

The cash outlay on this first volume has been \$500,000, and the work has been done by the most eminent specialists in various fields of learning, sciences, professions and trades. Student and scholar will choose the book because it not only defines words, but under synonyms, antonyms and propositions it goes into the niceties which when there are several words of similar meaning, shows which one if to be used in different connections, and the grammatical relation between prepositions and verbs. The illustrations for this work are all new and its plates in colors are the greatest achievements in lithography that we have ever seen.

# POT-POURRI.

The Headquarters of the National Convention at Indianapolis will be at the Hotel Denison. The management has given the Fraternity a specially low rate, \$2.50 per day. Committee rooms will be furnished convention committees, and a private dining room for the delegates and visiting Phis can be had if desired. There is no better hotel in the city, and the management promises to make the accommodations and service all that the Fraternity could desire.

Brother Hugh Th. Miller, of Irvington, is acting as Chairman of the local Committee of Arrangements. With the co-operation of the many resident Phis, all the plans for the entertainment of the Convention promise to be of the most satisfactory and complete nature. Any special inquiries addressed to Brother Miller will receive a prompt reply.

The editor of THE SCROLL has in charge the matter of securing railroad rates for the convention, and will announce by special circular full information in regard to these. These rates will be given upon the certificate plan, the delegate purchasing a first-class, full fare ticket to Indianapolis and securing from the agent of whom the ticket is purchased, a certificate to that effect. This certificate will be signed by an officer of the convention and an agent of the railroad companies who will be at Indianapolis for the purpose, and will entitle its holder to a return ticket at one-third fare. It is expected that rates on this basis will be given by the Central Traffic Association, Trunk Line Association and Southern Passenger Association, and it is possible that the concession may be received from one or two other associations. The Trunk Line Association territory extends from Pittsburgh and Buffalo east to the Hudson river, and south to the Poto-The Southern Passenger Association, the region mac. south of the Potomac and Ohio rivers and east of the Mississippi. The Central Traffic, Ohio, Indiana, Southern Michigan and Illinois west to Chicago and Bloomington. Delegates must buy their through ticket to Indianapolis at the nearest point in the territory of the associations which have granted the reduced rates.

A circular concerning these points will be issued as soon as it is definitely known what associations will join in giving the concession. In the meantime the editor of the Scroll will gladly answer any inquiries that prospective delegates or visitors desire to make.

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Chapters are requested to notify the Secretary of the General Council, Hugh Th. Miller, Irvington, Ind., at once as to the name of their official delegate. The General Council desires to have the matter of committee appointments settled as nearly as possible by the opening session, and by having the names of the delegates beforehand, this work will be much expedited.

The opening session will be at ten o'clock Monday morning. All delegates are to be present by that time, so that the convention can at once enter upon the business before it.

The Grand Arch Council of Phi Kappa Psi was in session at the Hotel Savoy, New York City, March 28, 29 and 30. Thirty-four of  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$ 's 35 chapters were represented, and it is said that "many radical changes were made both in fraternity policy and government, from which good results are anticipated." The Shield, for so long under the care and management of Mr. C. L. Van Cleve, will be published by the Chicago Alumni Association, and will resume monthly issue.

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Just now Americans are intensely interested in everything pertaining to the recent movements in British politics, and particularly in whatever relates to Mr. Gladstone's resignation. No one is better fitted to treat of this and related topics than Mr. W. T. Stead, who contributes to the April number of the Review of Reviews a most brilliant tripartite character sketch of Gladstone, Roseberry, and Harcourt, the Liberal leaders. Any one who wishes to become informed on the distinguishing traits of Liberal leadership brought out in the careers of these three men will be immensely helped by reading Mr. Stead's articles. The whole past, present and future of British Liberalism passes under review. The analysis of character and policy is keen and skillful in the highest degree.

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A crank entered the Union Savings Bank, San Francisco, March 23, and demanded money of the cashier, Wm. A. Herrick. On refusal the man drew a revolver and fired upon the cashier. The book-keeper of the bank, Mr. C. S. Melvin, came to the rescue of the cashier and sent several bullets after the man. After a chase of several squares, the man, who proved to be a much sought desperado, was found to be wounded by the bullets from Melvin's revolver. Chas. Stuart Melvin, Pennsylvania Alpha, '82, is widely known throughout the Fraternity, and was instrumental, through his brother Harry A., in the revival of California Alpha.

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The heavy type leading articles of the North American Review for April are "Personal Reminiscences of the Vatican Council" by His Eminence, Cardinal Gibbons; "Private History of the 'Jumping Frog' Story," by Mark Twain; and "The Suppression of Lawlessness in the South," by Governor Stone, of Mississippi. Reform in the Consular Service, Forgery as a Profession, An Anglo-American Alliance, How We Restrict Immigration, Delicacy—True and False, and College Theatricals as We Have Them, are other topics found on the title page.

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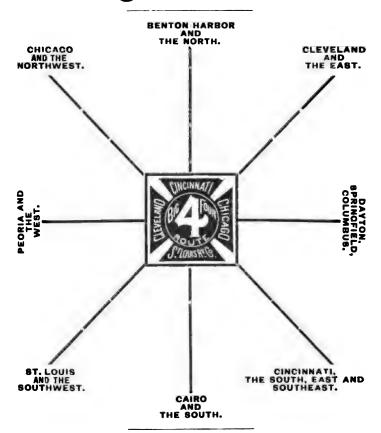
At the Annual Oratorical Contest held at Vanderbilt University March 16th, to decide who shall represent the University in Southern Inter-collegiate Contest, there were four speakers. The winner was Bro. John H. De-Witt, of Tennessee Alpha, who spoke on "The Intellectual Development of the South."

Evarts B. Greene, Illinois Alpha, '89, who received A. B., A. M. and Ph. D. from Harvard in 1890, 1891 and 1893, has since last year had a traveling fellowship in Europe from Harvard. He has recently been elected Assistant Professor of History in the University of Illinois.

A local society by the name of Alpha Upsilon has been founded at Leland Stanford, to apply for a charter of the non-secret Delta Upsilon Fraternity. It numbers nine men.

Dr. Harry Moore, Kentucky Alpha, '85, who is a practicing physician in Lexington, Kentucky, and Miss Sue Payne, of Elizabethtown, were married February 22, 1894. The wedding was in the nature of a surprise to all their friends.

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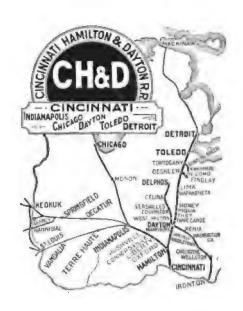
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A half reclining form
In a "sleepy-hollow" chair;
A cloud of curls that storm
About her beauty fair.
Two laughing eyes that tell
A shyly-answered "yes";
A dainty hand to—well—
Say simply to caress.

An airy little sprite
In a billowy flood of lace,
Which flutters in its flight
In the galop's tripping grace.
And, oh, the broken hearts
Which follow the rapturous whirl!
Oh, the Redfern gown, and the arts
Of the annual summer girl!

EDWIN O. GROVER, Dartmouth, '94.

## WHY NOT AN ALPHA PROVINCE CHAPTER HOUSE?

The Alpha Province is made up of many States, the oldest and most influential in the American Union. In it are situated some of our best colleges and universities, and in seventeen of these are Phi Chapters, excellent in every respect, firmly established, holding high rank among fraternities, and likely to occupy an enviable and commanding position in the future. Besides, there are four Alumni Chapters, one in each of the cities of Boston, New York, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, and all well placed in relation to the undergraduate field.

The fact cannot be well suppressed, while making a survey of our position and circumstances, and counting the advantages that can be gained by a proper use of them, that the four named Alumni Chapters should take steps at once looking toward the acquisition and maintenance of a Province Chapter House. It would be better to have one than four, as by the concentration of effort and capital we could build a handsome house, and provide the means for its uses.

It is hardly conceivable that any one will dispute the advisability of such a step, or question the duty imposed on us to take it. The only differences that can arise are, as to the time to begin, the place in which to build, and the method by which to raise the means. The first two may be more easily arranged than the last one; but, as the proposition states that a beginning only is now to be made, followed up year after year unremittingly, the question of means ought to be readily disposed of by a plan both feasible and comprehensive.

But, as this is an entirely new departure in fraternity history, there may be many objections urged against it by some who are opposed by nature to change of custom regardless of effects. Such people need be conservative by an over-ruling law which they are well-nigh powerless to resist. They are necessarily true and consistent, but often subject to prejudice and unfair in action. If there be such among us, let me entreat them to consider, most seriously, the character, the objects, and the membership of our Fraternity. Are they all meritorious in esse and in posse? Do they deserve perpetuation? Were they beneficial to you during the formative period of your life? Have the impressions you derived thence been lasting, and are they remembered with pride and satisfaction? If your answers, to be true, must be affirmative, then how is it that you can wish to see your Fraternity refuse to use the best means at hand to make itself vigorous in constitution, able in counsel, and effective in all the ways of truth, virtue and wisdom? How can you abnegate your sympathy, and withhold your support? To be conservative you need not cut off every tentacle that brings you in contact with the finer sensibilities of human nature, or to withdraw your powers and restrain your purposes from the assistance of others when they strive for ends as worthy as your own.

Suppose the objector is bold enough to come forward and say: "Why should we have a Chapter house? Have I not already done all that can be reasonably expected of me? I bore bravely and honorably the sword and shield in the days of active warfare, and rendered a good account of my prowess and fidelity. Since then the

theatre of my deeds has been changed. My work now is for bread, and has to be done under pressure in grinding competition with a horde of men, who care for naught beside, a terrible army of earnest men. I am bound in my narrow circle, and cannot go beyond it for fear of him who presses hard on my very heels. Can you expect me to relax my hold and slow my step, when the success of my life depends on a firm muscle and an unfaltering gait?"

Your case is strong, my brother, but not strong enough to release you from the obligations of an earlier time when your nature was less selfish than it is now and more capable of ingenuity and adaptation. You show a remarkably clear view of the things and measures that make for your present personal gain, but you seem not to see as clearly the objects and methods that are more remote and less connected, but none the less important in our sound social state. In the true interests of mind, morality and society you assumed of your own accord at one time a number of obligations. Them you have performed faithfully up to the present moment. But they became ab initio coextensive with your life, and no matter where you be or how long you may live, you cannot divest yourself of their operation and remain true to the sanction of your oath. You have yet a large part of your duties to perform, and you cannot plead at any stage that you have done all that the contract requires of you. Grant that your present pursuits are totally unlike your former ones, are more exacting and exhausting and urge you more vehemently, how do those facts modify or subvert your obligation which is not limited as to time or made variable to meet a change of circumstances. Happily, however, you are not called on either to neglect any necessary work or to forswear yourself, as there can exist no reason to put yourself in opposition to any parts or classes of your duty. They are compatible in character and equal in force, and are best executed when made inseparable.

To further advance the object here aimed at I will state some of the advantages that are to be gained by the

building and use of a Province Chapter House:

First—Such as must flow from a home dedicated entirely to work for and in the interest of the Fraternity at large, of the province, and of the undergraduate Chapters; and making thereof a safe repository of all records, &c., that are apt, under the present system, to be lost or destroyed.

Second—Those necessarily resulting from the effects produced on the barbarian mind, such as a conviction of

our stability, and on ourselves the pleasurable assurance

of our merit and responsibility.

Third—The body of advantages inter-conferrable. Matters, various and important, engage us daily here and bring large numbers of Phis to this city every month. Meeting each other in our home, as in an exchange, we can become useful in the furtherance and execution of our various kinds of business, and by so doing be mutually helpful and beneficial.

Fourth—Those to be felt by us and by the undergraduates in a more intimate knowledge of each other, and in giving them an incentive by precept and example to

make their Chapters the best in all the province.

If a record could be accurately made of the number of Phis (graduate) who visit New York on business and pleasure during a single year, it would astonish us as to its length, and as to the variety of causes that bring them. Every year hundreds leave the colleges and universities to enter the professions and the different kinds of business in all parts of the country. This continuing increment will not be long in making our list of membership exceedingly large. Our growth is therefore unremitting, and by all the means at our command we should provide in all the great centres of population for our redundant increase by organization for the purposes of assistance, direction and profit. If we become fratres in college why should we not continue to be fratres in trade and in the professions?

The building of province houses is not likely to interfere with or obstruct the erection of College Chapter houses. On the contrary our conduct would operate as a stimulus, in the nature of a most excellent example. We would exhibit by deed an interest in the Fraternity that no circumstance of time, place or event has been able to destroy. The light of our faith would shine beyond the confines of the province and illumine the hearts of the faithful with rays of comfort and hope. We would encourage the weak and stimulate the strong. Into all parts of the fraternity system a benign influence would be diffused, inciting all to constant, profitable exertion, and to us would come a refluent wave bearing back a gain far greater in benefits than the one we started on the trackless deep.

PHILIP C. SLAUGHTER, Wisconsin Alpha, '59.

## NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY AND ILLINOIS ALPHA.

Northwestern University is situated in Chicago and Evanston, Chicago's largest suburb, Evanston is just outside of the corporate limits of Chicago on the north side, and has about 25,000 inhabitants. Saloons are prohibited by State law within four miles of the University buildings in Evanston.

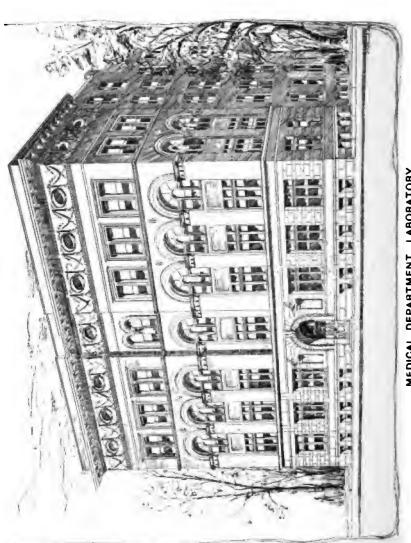
The scenery along the shore of Lake Michigan is magnificent, and the broad avenues and boulevards of Evanston, and the beautiful parks on all sides are in keeping with the splendid homes and quiet lives of its inhabitants.

Northwestern University was founded here in 1855, and has grown continually until now it is the third largest institution in the United States having in 1892-93, 2,463 students. The campus is a beautiful strip of lake front about eighty rods wide and one mile in length. Thirteen well equipped buildings are situated here and new ones being contemplated. Within the past two years the University has built three large buildings at an expense of about \$300,000. The professional schools with the exception of the Biblical institute are in Chicago. The University is composed of the following departments:

College of Liberal Arts, Evanston; Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston; Academy, Evanston; Law School, Chicago; Medical School, Chicago; Woman's Medical School, Chicago; Pharmacy School, Chicago; Dental

School, Chicago.

The law school is situated in the Masonic Temple, one of the finest equipped office buildings in the world, It is twenty-two stories high, and was erected at a cost of three and a half million dollars. The law school occupies a large part of the seventh floor of this magnificent structure, and has the best possible accommodations. school maintains a very high standard of work and attracts students from east and west in large numbers. Over forty per cent of the students in the law school are college graduates. The other departments of the University are up to the highest standard and are thorough in every respect. There are about two hundred professors and instructors in the entire University. The endowment is about \$4,500,000. The institution is under the patronage of the M. E. Church. The University publications are:



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University Record, (Quarterly) published by the Faculties; Northwestern, (Weekly) published by the students of the college; Northwestern Law Review, (Monthly); Journal of Pharmacy, (Monthly); Syllabus, (Annual) published by the Junior class of the college.

There are in the University nineteen fraternities: They

are as follows:

Sigma Chi, College; Beta Theta Pi, College; Phi Delta Theta, College; Phi Kappi Psi, College; Delta Tau Delta, College; Phi Kappa Sigma, College; Delta Upsilon, College; Kappa Alpha Theta, College; Alpha Phi, College; Delta Gamma, College; Gamma Phi Beta, College; Kappa Kappa Gamma, College; Theta Nu Epsilon, College; Phi Beta Kappa, College; Phi Delta Phi, Law; Phi Rho Sigma, Medical; Nu Sigma Nu, Medical; Delta Sigma Delta, Dental; Alpha Chi Omega, Music.

Illinois Alpha of Phi Delta Theta was established at Northwestern, Feb. 12, 1859. The charter members were William A. Lord and William T. Stewart, both of the class of 1860. They succeeded in initiating fourteen more, but on account of part going to the war and others graduating the chapter was allowed to run down and in a

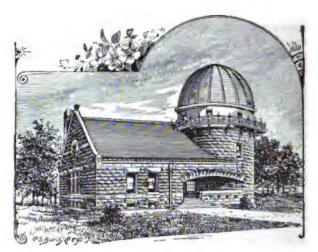
short time the charter was surrendered.

In 1881 and 1882, an attempt was made to revive the chapter, but sickness and finally the death of one of the persons undertaking the work necessitated a delay until

a few years later.

In 1884, Isaac Reynolds Hitt, Jr., brother of Arza B. Hitt, one of the four initiated in '81, entered college and took up the work of rebuilding Illinois Alpha. The work continued until '87, when a charter was given to Isaac R. Hitt, Jr., '88; Fred C. Waugh, 89; Evarts B. Green, '89; H. R. Howell, '89; George O. Barnes, '90; Harry L. Hauley, '89; Clyde M. Carr, '90; William A. Clarke, '90; M. Edward Fawcett, G. B. I.; Charles C. Albertson, G. B. I. The work of the chapter than began in earnest and Illinois Alpha rapidly came to the front in college circles.

In 1890 and 1891, the chapter was very small, but in 1892-93 it was strengthened by the affiliation of Charles B. Campbell from Indiana Zeta, and William E. Griswold, Illinois Zeta. Both of these men were skillful "spikers," and soon the chapter became strong and has since continued to grow in strength and numbers. The total membership is now sixty-nine, fifteen of whom are active members. The chapter quite frequently meets with the



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UNIVERSITY HALL.

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.



SCIENCE HALL.



WOMAN'S HALL.

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.



James L. Mitchell
INDINNA ALPHA, '58.

#### CHAPTER GRAND.

INITIATES OF THE CHAPTER GRAND.

Albert Charles Watson, Maine A, '92, Died February 24, 1893, At Morovia, California (Unity, Maine). "In Coelo Quies Est."

William Gamble Young, Pennsylvania A, '90, Died March 10, 1894, At South Easton, Pennsylvania. "In Coelo Quies Est."

Henry Nehemiah Cheesman, Pennsylvania E, '83, Died January 9, 1894, At Camden, New Jersey. "In Coelo Quies Est."

William Thomas Roberts, Pennsylvania E, '92, Died February 19, 1894, At Hummelstown, Pennsylvania. "In Coclo Quies Est."

Herbert Rutherford Hogg, Pennsylvania Z, '91, Died July 28, 1893, At Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. "In Corlo Quies Est."

Jesse Hinton Callaway, Georgia B, '78, Died March 31, 1894, At Douglasville, Georgia. "In Coelo Quies Est." Solon Ezell Rose, Tennessee A, '81, Died June 25, 1893, At Albuquerque, New Mexico. "In Coelo Quies Est."

David Caldwell McMillen, Jr., Tennessee A, 81, Died May 24, 1893, At Tampa, Florida (Chattanooga, Tenn.). "In Coelo Quies Est."

Wiley Perry Boddie, Tennessee, A, '90, Died August 21, 1893, At Colorado Springs, Col., (Chicago, Ill.) "In Coclo Ouics Est."

James Bennett Wilder, Tennessee B, '93, Died September 1, 1893, At Chicago, Ill., (Louisville, Ky.). "In Coclo Quies Est."

Robert Seneca Carter, Texas F, '87, Died October 18, 1893, At Marlin, Texas. "In Coelo Quies Est."

Frank Ferrell Morton, Ohio Z, '97, Died January 5, 1894, At Columbus, Ohio. "In Coclo Quies Est."

James Lewis Mitchell, Indiana A, '58, Died February 21, 1894, At Indianapolis, Indiana. "In Coelo Quies Est."

Samuel Gilmore Ramsey, Indiana A, '84, Died January 29, 1894, At College Corner, Ohio. "In Coclo Quics Est." Avery Anderson Williams, Indiana Γ, '92, Died January 17, 1894, At Wabash, Indiana. "In Coelo Quies Est."

Oswald Daniel Vandersluis, Michigan A, '90, Died March 10, 1894, At Grand Rapids, Michigan. "In Coelo Quies Est."

Charles Frederick Rittinger, Michigan B, '90, Died August 21, 1898, At Cass City, Michigan. "In Coelo Quies Est."

> Richard Lee Slater, Illinois Z, '90, Died April 28, 1894, At Wataga, Illinois. "In Coelo Quies Est."

Elgin Underwood Western, Missouri A, '87, Died January 29, 1894, At Kansas City, Missouri. "In Coelo Quies Est."

#### NOTES.

James L. Michell, Sr., died February 21, 1894, at the home of Mrs. M. E. Ewing, No. 294, North Meridian street, where he and his wife and son, James L. Mitchell, Jr., have occupied apartments for two years. Mr. Mitchell's death was not unexpected. Dr. Allison Maxwell had notified the family that death would come soon.

Mr. Mitchell's health began to fail two years ago. He first complained of his stomach, and then his heart seemed to give him trouble. He went to his office regularly after disease attacked him, but those who met him from day to

day saw the robust figure was gradually becoming emaciated. At the suggestion of friends, Mr. Mitchell went to French Lick Springs, hoping to get relief, but he gradually grew weaker while there. That was more than a year ago. After he returned from the visit, fatty degeneration of the heart set in, and he continued to lose flesh. For more than nine months he has been confined to his room, and has visibly been approaching nearer and nearer to death. Those of his friends who saw him during the last weeks of his life say that he was not at all his former self in appearance. In health one of the most stalwart and hearty men in Indianapolis, he had lost flesh until it seemed that only the frame remained. Stomach and bowel trouble began three days ago, and he grew rapidly worse until death came.

Mr. Mitchell was born in Shelby county, Kentucky. September 29, 1834. When eight years old he went with his parents to Monroe county, Indiana. The elder Mitchell was a farmer, and the son worked on the farm until he was nineteen years old. He entered the preparatory department of the State University at Bloomington in 1853, and was graduated from the University in 1858. delivered the college anniversary address in July 1858, and in 1860 he delivered the alumni address of the insti-He read law at the University until December, 1859, when he came to Indianapolis and entered the law office of Ketcham & Coffin as a student. Later he formed a partnership for the practice of law with his uncle, James L. Ketcham. He was commissioned adjutant of the Seventieth Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry in July, 1862. This was the Regiment commanded by Benjamin Harri-Mr. Mitchell continued in the army until the close of the war. He was promoted to be a captain, and from November, 1864, to the close of the war was on the staff of Gen. Lovell H. Rousseau. Upon his return from the war he resumed the practice of law with John L. Ketcham. The name of the firm was Ketcham & Mitchell. Later William A. Ketcham entered the firm. In 1869 John L. Ketcham died and Horatio C. Newcomb became a member of the firm. The firm was Newcomb, Mitchell & Ketcham until Mr. Newcomb went on the bench.

In 1873 Mr. Mitchell was nominated by the Democrats of Indianapolis for Mayor. He was absent from the city at the time the nomination was made, but agreed to make the race. He was elected over W. D. Wiles by a

majority of 778 votes. He was the first Democratic mayor Indianapolis had had since the beginning of the war. He served as Mayor for one term. After retiring from the office he again began the practice of law. In 1886 Mr. Mitchell was nominated by the Democrats of Marion and Hendricks counties for the office of prosecuting attorney. He was elected and was re-elected in 1888. After retiring from the office of prosecuting attorney Mr. Mitchell returned to the practice of law, forming a partnership with his son, James L. Mitchel, Jr. This partnership continued until Mr. Mitchell's death.

Mr. Mitchell married in New Albany, Ind., October 4, 1864, Miss Clara E. Carter, niece of the late George G. Dunn. Mrs. Mitchell has for many years been an invalid, and the devotion of her husband to her was often the subject of comment by those who knew the family well. For many years Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell lived at the hotels, and it seemed to be the delight of Mr. Mitchell to make life as pleasant as possible for his wife, who, unassisted, was

unable to leave her room.

While living at the Grand Hotel, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell met Emma Abbott, the singer, who seeing Mrs. Mitchell's helpless condition, came to her room and sang for her. From this incident there sprang up a friendship that lasted until the singer died, a few years ago. Miss Abbott never came to Indianapolis without visiting Mrs. Mitchell, and she never went away without singing for her. Through Mr. Mitchell, Miss Abbott made financial investments in Indianapolis which proved profitable for her. Her will made Mr. Mitchell one of her executors, and two years of his life were largely devoted to looking after the estate of the dead singer.

At a meeting of the Indianapolis Bar Association held in respect to Major Mitchell's memory, ex-President Harrison, in whose regiment, the Seventieth Indiana, Major Mitchell served through the war as adjutant, spoke of the dead lawyer's excellent qualities, first as a soldier. "Major Mitchell," he said, "was scrupulously careful in carrying out all the minutest details of his duty. He was never severe with those subordinate to him and yet he was always fully able to secure from his subordinates a cheerful compliance with orders which had been given him to enforce. Whatever the exigencies of his surroundings, whatever the hardships, he was invariably cheerful and from his uniformly happy demeanor he drew to himself

the love and respect of the men at the front with whom he was constantly in association. In camp he organized a glee club, which about the camp-fire rendered frequently the songs of home. He was invariably conscientious in all he did, whether in the performance of public duty or the carrying out of private purpose, and no one ever

suffered through any indirection on his part."

Mr. Harrison also referred to Major Mitchell's home life as having been one characterized by a scrupulous regard for manly duty, tempered by an ever ruling tenderness of disposition and love of his wife and children. Mr. Harrison referred feelingly to the fact that he and the deeased had been members of the same college fraternity and fast friends through many years, with never an animosity, although always differing from each other in politics.

I knew Major Mitchell from 1862 up to the hour of his death, intimately. He went into the war without any previous military training, and was always prompt and active in the discharge of his duty. He is entitled to the credit of having given his best energies to the services of his country. We were so well acquainted that I was in a position to sound the depths of his heart. His greatest The men off characteristic was geniality and kindness. duty knew him as 'Adj,' and he was the life of the camp and march. Sitting about the camp fire I have heard him sing patriotic songs, and the sweet music which he brought from the strings of his guitar touched us all. I knew he had a love affair and I remember his marriage. I recollect the sickness of his wife that has made her an invalid for the past eighteen years. He cast social pleasures aside when that misfortune came and his attendance upon his wife, his love and devotion for her, was a more pathetic story than anything I have ever heard or read. He was a sturdy God fearing man."

'90. Richard L. Slater was born in Wataga, Ill., Nov. 5, 1870, and died at his father's home in the same place, April 28, 1894. The funeral was held on Monday, April 30. The large attendance evidenced the love and respect that were due him. The rooms were profusely strewn with beautiful flowers—many of the floral offerings being of the most handsome and appropriate design. The Lombard chapter of Phi Delta Theta attended and conducted a part of the ceremony, which was very impressive.

No one knew Dick who did not have esteem and most profound respect for him. He was always the same jovial companion, and the favorite of social circles. His aspiration was to attain a high position in railroad life, and work for the attainment of his desires never shamed him.

Our beloved brother James Bennett Wilder closed his earthly career on the first day of September, 1893.

While swimming in Lake Michigan, at Chicago, in a strong surf, he became exhausted and sank before assistance could reach him.

His devoted mother was upon a pier in full sight of the terrible struggle. She vainly sought to succor him and her words of encouragement were the last sounds that fell upon his ears amid the surging of the waters. He had just completed his academic studies at the University of the South and entered upon his majority. His career at college was remarkable. Gentle, strong, brave and true, he commanded the respect of his instructors and the love and admiration of his fellow students. In all the departments of college activity, his associates looked to him to lead them and, without self-seeking, he was the first in all the organizations of church, class, athletics and fraternity life.

Moral excellence and Christian character are not dependent upon years: And so this life—ended so early and so sadly from a worldly standpoint—was full and sound. It stands out the brighter for its pristine purity. While his image is still bright in our memories, the sound of his voice still ringing in our ears, and the power of his influence still potent in actuality, he has passed beyond the portal, and has become a type of Christian gentleness, a hero, an exemplar.

To the beloved mother, to whose loving care his manhood was the joyful fruition; to whom he was as the apple of her eye; we can only express the hope, that as time hallows his memory and softens the poignancy of her grief, she will derive comfort from the tribute of sympathy which is so universally and tenderly extended to her.

Bro. S. G. Ramsey was born in Preble County, Ohio, April 13, 1863, and died January 29, 1894. He was a member of Indiana Alpha, and received his diploma from Indiana University in 1883. He afterward attended two courses of study at the Cincinnati Dental School, but

never practiced. He was in the drug business here at College Corner at the time of his death. Was married to Miss Carrie Miller of this place in January, 1893, who survives him. He was a very successful business man, and his death cast a gloom over our entire community.

Yours in the Bond,

W. H. HAWLEY, Indiana Alpha, '84.

Charles Frederick Rittinger, died at Cass City, Michigan, August 21, 1893, age twenty-four years, three months and twenty-one days. While Bro. Rittinger was attending the law school at the University of Michigan, he was slightly injured during a football game between the University of Michigan and Cornell. Some months later hemorrhages set in, and the injury proved to be a vital one. In the mean time he had married Miss Kate Mc-Clinton, of Cass City. He lived but two months after his marriage. The Speculum says of him: "In many respects Mr. Rittinger was a superior character, and gave promise of becoming a star among men. In intellectual vigor he ranked high. His generosity was unbounded The qualities with this impetuosity and fiery zeal enabled him to subdue difficulties and laugh at impossibilities. He was a man take him for all in all, and when shall we look upon his like again.

Avery Anderson Williams, Indiana Gamma, '92, died at his home in Wabash, Indiana, January 18, 1894, in the thirty-first year of his age. He represented the chapter at the Atlanta convention, and those who came to know him there and on the homeward trip will be inexpressibly grieved to hear of the going out of the life of one who was the life of every circle in which he found himself in

those happy days.

Mr. Williams was a teacher whose success and ability had already been amply demonstrated when he entered Butler and Phi Delta Theta in the spring of 1887. After remaining out of college for three years as principal of the Irvington schools, he returned and took his degree with the class of '92. He was a strong and conscientious student, actively interested in all college enterprises, of unfailing good humor and kindness of heart, and one of the most devoted and enthusiastic members his chapter has ever enrolled. He has always been prominently

identified with the educational work of this county and the State of Indiana, being superintendent of the schools of Wabash county at the time of his death. Near the close of his senior year the unexpected death of his father threw upon him a load of responsibility, under the weight of which he struggled on, tireless and uncomplaining, until he wore his life away.

#### ELGIN WESTERN DEAD.

A telegram was received by Attorney Hunter M. Meriwether to-day, announcing the death yesterday, in San Francisco, of his brother-in-law, Elgin U. Western, a well known young attorney of Kansas City. The cause of his death was consumption. Mr. Western left Kansas City for the Pacific slope about two years ago, hoping to benefit his health, but the climate seemed only to aggravate his malady. His mother and wife were with him when he died. Mr. Western was twenty-nine years of age and was born in Bowling Green, Ky., but lived the greater part of his life in Kansas City. He was a graduate of the Missouri State University. Several years ago he married Miss Nellie McCloskey, of Independence, a niece of Preston Roberts. They had no children, Mr. Western had many friends in Kansas City who will deeply mourn his ill-timed death.—Kansas City Star.

#### THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

Anticipation is said to be more pleasing than realization, and looking forward more inspiring than looking backward, but when those interested in the recent Convention come to cast up accounts we are satisfied that they will all agree that it is an exception which proves the rule. Of a series of events, all successful, the last one always seems to be pre-eminently so. It is not necessary, therefore, to say aught that will belittle the memory of the grandly glorious Conventions which have just preceded the last, but with a due sense of their importance we can at once call upon our supply of superlatives to give a rehearsal of the all-around good time enacted at Indianapolis.

The Convention meeting at such a central point, there was not the opportunity for the long railway ride together as was the case in going to Atlanta, where all delegates

from the East, North and South went in to the city on the same train, some having been thrown together thus for thirty-six hours and none of them for less than twelve. However, quite a respectable party comprising the New England delegates, Brothers Palmer and Marble came through from Boston together via the New York Central and Big Four Route, other additions to the party were received on the way and the party made merry on what would otherwise have been a tedious ride. Brother Peake, from Colby, came the greatest distance from the east, Wilcox from Southwestern the greatest from the south, while Smith and Lewis from California and Stanford, respectively, took the palm from all others in their trip from the Pacific coast.

Sunday and Sunday night brought in quite a large number of delegates, but it was not until Monday noon that the full body of officials arrived and the opening session was at two o'clock that afternoon.

The sessions were held in the Hall of the House of Representatives, Indiana State Capitol, the use of which, through the influence of our Indianapolis Phis, had been generously granted the Convention. The custodian of the building could not have served us better if he had been a loyal Phi himself. Entering the hall one's attention was at once attracted by the tasteful and abundant decorations. White and blue in shields, festoons and draperies were about the walls, while the national emblems mingled with them in generous profusion. The building is a magnificent one, of which Indianians are proud. It makes the third time in the last ten years that the sessions of our national Convention have been held in a State Capitol—Nashville, 1884; Atlanta, 1891, and Indianapolis.

A large number of faces familiar at our Conventions were to be found at this one, and probably no previous one has ever been blessed with so many who might be called old Convention goers. W. B. Palmer and H. U. Brown have each attended six of our annual meets; E. H. L. Randolph, five; George Banta, J. L. Mitchell, L. B. Probasco, F. D. Swope and J. E. Brown, three, while numerous others of those present had been at Atlanta or Bloomington. Best and most reliable of all was our venerable Founder, author of the Bond, Robert Morrison, Ohio Alpha, '49. Bro. Morrison has not missed a Convention since 1880, so that even without his connection with the Fraternity in its early days, he has attended more of

our National Conventions than any other man in the Fraternity. His presence is always an inspiration, and those who were at Indianapolis prize the occasion the more because they had the opportunity to meet Brother Morrison, at once the oldest and yet the youngest among those present. His incoming was greeted with a cheer and his "Good-bye boys, God bless you," on Friday morning, brought forth a "three times three" cheer.

While thus blessed with a larger proportion of former attendants among Phis, the unusually large representation of ladies which had been present at Bloomington and Atlanta was wanting. However, when the open formalities of calling the Convention to order took place Miss Berte Swope was present as a happy reminder of the larger Atlanta party, and she, together with Mrs. John Edwin

Brown, made up the visiting party of Phi ladies.

In the absence of the President of the General Council, the Secretary presided at the opening. Rev. Dr. Joseph S. Jenckes, Indiana Alpha, '56, opened the session with prayer. He was followed by Irvin Robbins, Indiana Gamma, '60, Adjutant General of Indiana, who delivered the formal address of welcome. Bro. Robbins was an ante-bellum Phi, and his remarks embodied many reminiscences of the early days, which were interesting to us of this day and generation, and in a most cordial manner he made it evident that Hoosier Phis were glad to see Brothers from abroad in their midst. The response had been assigned to J. E. Brown, Ohio Beta, '84, and, stripped of a few preliminary remarks drawn forth by incidents of the moment, was as follows:

Mr. President. Rrothers of the Local Committee, Brother Phis and Sister Phi:

I am not insensible of the honor you have conferred in delegating to me a response for the words of welcome in behalf of our hosts; words which have welled up from a heart rich in the legacies of fraternity love, and which have fallen from the lips of the brother in such eloquent measure. But in this very sensibility of the honor conferred, together with an appreciation of what an epoch in the annals of the Fraternity the assembling of this, our National Convention is, I am overwhelmed by my own inability to properly voice the sentiments of all these brothers who have come to accept the hospitality of Hoosier Phidom, and likewise to give in any sense a faithful portrayal of the emotions which this occasion awakens in my own breast.

Something over a year ago, in the month of March, I journeyed to one of the widely famed college towns of this, your State, and was taken captive by the hospitality and cordial zeal of the active Phis of



ISAAC R. HITT, JR., ILLINOIS ALPHA, 88.

Indiana, there gathered together to welcome into Phi Delta Theta the scions of a University, whose escutcheon bore the legend, "Purdue." It was with a more exalted sense of the worth and privileges of our Fraternity that I returned home from that pleasant occasion.

But today you receive us just as Spring, perennial token to man of immortality, spreads about us her beauteous mantle and awakens the sleeping glories of nature. We meet, not in the confines of the provincial College village where undisputed and therefore biased creeds sometime hold sway, but in this capital which is the joint property and pride of Indiana colleges and college men. Where we meet not alone the undergraduate and tender fledgings of Phi Delta Theta, but where the air is resonant with the names of Phis who have achieved honor for themselves, and therefore for the Fraternity, in all the walks of life.

From all the highways that are on the official plat of the Fraternity, Phis have come together to celebrate with you our National Convention. I would that I were able to reduce to tangible words the intangible emotions which rise in each breast, and which it can be safely prophesied will find expression in many other ways during our association together. The happy sentiment with which we are animated fills our mind as a rich perfume. We feel it, we enjoy it, are intoxicated in its pleasures, but its ethereal nature will not respond to the test of speech, refuses to be made into consonant or vowel, and say that by faith and works it shall be known. If we fail to show you in our comings and goings that we are glad to be here, we confess ourselves traitors to the occasion. If you should take up that voluminous and comprehensive, blue-backed, blueblooded, all around white and blue volume, the sixth edition of the Catalogue of  $\phi \Delta \Theta$ , and turn to the Geographical Index you would find competing for the honor of largest Phi membership, the States of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. though New York has the American Metropolis, to which so many of the successful, the young and ambitious of American manhood flock; though Pennsylvania has her city of Brotherly Love, and her twin cities at the head of the Ohio; though Ohio gave birth to the Order, and shelters six active chapters; and though in Illinois in the city of magnificent enterprises there are a greater number of Phis than in any city of our country, 154 of them—yet Indiana is greatest among them all. Within her borders are found more Phis than in any other State. If the present ratio of manufacture holds good, she will probably retain this supremacy through many years to come. You have six regularly organized chapters within the State, with a seventh organized with full fledged Phis, and lacking only the formality of a charter to make it "a man among men." You have the honor of having the oldest chapter which has had a continuous existence from the time of its founding, and the history of Indiana Alpha is one of which Phi Delta Theta and any Order might well be proud. hopes of the young chapter of the fifties and sixties, have long since been fruition, and those who today carry forward the active work of the chapter can look down a vista of cherished names, not all of

which will be forgotten in history. Judge Banta of Franklin, eminent in professional, church and social life, who has contributed many an interesting article to our fraternity literature. John W. Foster, upon whom has been showered such a profusion of honors that it would take a special catalogue to enumerate them. Rev. John C. Miller, who, if he had done nothing more, would be honored for having fathered the pride of Indiana Gamma, the present Secretary of our General Council. Dr. J. S. Jenckes, too well known among you to allow added esteem by the eulogy of a foreign Phi. The late General Mitchell, esteemed in life, lamented in death; General J. M. McCoy, of Dallas, Texas; A. C. Mellette, the first governor of South Dakota. And coming down to more recent times, such loyal Phis as A. G. Foster, George Banta F. E. Hunter, C. L. Goodwin, J. W. Fisher, and others.

No less deserving have been the careers of the junior chapters of the state. Wabash has given us the distinguished Judge Wm. A. Woods, of the U. S. District Court; the eminent Brothers J. C. and W. P. Black; ex-U. S. Senator Allen, of Washington, and President Ballentine of Oberlin. Butler, right here at your corporate limits, has never wavered from her rule to give the Fraternity only such men as  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  here, there and everywhere prizes. A. C. Harris of your city; Chancellor Hobbs, of Drake University; Judge J. V. Hadley, Rev. Dr. David Ulter, of Salt Lake City; Profs. Iden, Brown, and Miller, H. U. Brown, and him to whose words of welcome we have just listened. The roll of Indiana Delta is one of distinction, and contains the names of many eminent men. Take Phi Delta Theta from Franklin's faculty, and Phi Delta Theta from her graduate and student body, and the charm of Franklin would be Indiana Epsilon, in her college home overlooking the beautiful Ohio River, is working out an honorable career; while Indiana Zeta is sharing in the general prosperity of De Pauw. To enumerate the successes of Indiana Phis is to go into a recital of a good part of those achieved by the whole Fraternity. Here in your capital you have gathered the choicest of the chosen. They have come from not only your own, but other chapters. Name the list of Phis residing in this capital city and you call the roll of those whom the city cherishes most highly and upon whom municipality and state have showered the highest honors. Ayres, Brown, Bridges, Duncan, Elam, Elliott, Harris, Harrison, Hunter, Jacobs, Jenckes, Mitchell, Norris, Robbins, and so on through the very alphabet of celebrity. Surely we are honored in our hosts.

And what of the Fraternity that comes here today with its arms of peace to riot in good will and to counsel in your midst for this too short week? Has it grown and prospered since last it met in this city? I see before me the faces of not a few who took part in the memorable convention of fourteen years ago, when the National Grand Chapter system passed away and the General Council came to take its place. I was but a month old in the Fraternity at that time, but I well remember the report brought back to the chapter by our delegate, which gave us an inspiration for Phi Delta Theta such as

we had never had before.

Then the Fraternity enrolled but twenty-six active chapters. Lafavette and Vermont, the latter just newly established, were the outposts in the East. Michigan, in the North, was hibernating, and there were no active chapters on the Pacific coast such as do us honor today. The membership of the Fraternity, all told, was 2800. Now we come back to talk it over with you, to see if the years have been well spent. I will not attempt the answer in speech. Let the Phi Delta Theta of today, the National Fraternity which comes rejoicing in its strength, let it make reply. No greater favor shall we ask for the future than that we, who now come, may gain an inspiration that will guide us in our zeal to make the coming years as prosperous for the Fraternity as did those who have assembled with you in the years gone by. Brothers of Indiana, we again thank you for this opportunity to meet with you.

Following this, letters of regret were read. The one from Ex-President Benjamin Harrison, who was then in New York City, ran as follows:

MR. HUGH TH. MILLER:

Dear Sir and Brother-"I regret that my necessary absence from home prevents me from meeting with my brethren of the Phi Delta Theta Society, at their national meeting and at their banquet on the evening of May 9. I beg you to extend to them all an expression of fellowship and good will from me, and express my regret that I am deprived of the pleasure of taking part with the Indianapolis members in extending to them the hospitality of the city."

Very truly yours in the Bond,

BENJ. HARRISON.

Another from A. E. Stevenson, Kentucky Alpha, '59. Vice President Stevenson wrote as follows:

"I am in receipt of your very kind letter of the 2d inst., inviting me to attend the biennial convention of the Phi Delta Theta on May 9 next. For your courteous invitation please accept my sincere thanks. I would be glad to avail myself of it, but public duties will prevent the possibility of my doing so. I can only express my hearty appreciation of the compliment paid me and wish a most enjoyable meeting to all who have the good fortune to be present.

Again thanking you, I remain yours in the Bond,

A. E. STEVENSON.

Robert Morrison, under the impression that he would be unable to be present, wrote a letter of greeting, which shortly after its reading was followed by the appearance of Brother Morrison himself. J. W. Lindley, Ohio Alpha, '50, another of our three surviving founders sent his regrets from Fredericktown, Ohio. Other regrets were from W. W. Quarles, Selma, Ala., President of theG. C.; Isaac R. Hitt, Jr., Chicago, Treasurer of the G. C., and J. M. Mayer, New York City, President of Alpha Province.

The absence of the President of the General Council called for the selection of some one to act as presiding officer, and on motion Brother Miller, S. G. C., was chosen for the place, and Brother Walter R. Brown was chosen to act as Secretary of the convention. For his assistant he named C. A. Wilcox of Texas Gamma. F. S. Ball was delegated to act as T. G. C. pro tem. This constituted the organization, committees were announced, everything was in readiness for the business which occupied the sessions of the four days following:

Wednesday afternoon a pleasant surprise was given at the afternoon session by the appearance of Governor Matthews, of Indiana, who, after being introduced, spoke

as follows:

# " Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Phi Delta Theta:

" It is a matter of extreme regret to me that I could not have been with you on the day of your first meeting in our capital city, and to have formally, and yet most cordially, welcomed you to our State and city, and to the hospitality of our Hoosier homes. I trust, however, gentlemen, that while with us you have so far met with that generous and courteous treatment which I know you so well merit, and which our citizens could not better honor themselves than extend to you. Such meetings as this bring to us memories of college days that can never become old, and that should never-can never-grow old in us; for I doubt if there has been any one thing connected with our college lives that has afforded such intense gratification to us at that time and afterwards, on going out into life, has brought us more delightful associations than has come through our fraternal associations. But mingled with those pleasant associations and hallowed memories that come through the Greek fraternity, it also brings the reminder, at least to me, that for a quarter of a century past the dust has laid unmolested upon my Iliad and Xenophon and Odyssey; and I am so painfully impressed with the weakness of my Greek that I trust no one here will be so ungenerous as to ask me to repeat the alphabet. But, deficient as this knowledge may be, I have not lost one single pleasant thought or happy memory of the days when we gathered in our fraternities and life itself was bubbling over with the greatest of friendships and strongest of brotherly ties. It was not my good fortune to have been a member of your order, but a member of a better. On this some of you may disagree with me, for probably they have never known of old Alpha Kappa Phi. But south of the beautiful Ohio there were times when we were strong and the halls of old Centre re-echoed to the call of old Alpha and were gladdened by his cheer. But we also had with us other no less loyal, true and generous hearts that beat beneath the badge of Phi Delta Theta, and

I have reckoned amongst your order some of the warmest and noblest hearts that have ever blessed the lives of men, and through them and for them my heart is warm for you this day. I trust, gentlemen, that your stay with us will be most agreeable, and that this meeting of yours will be so pleasant and so profitable that you will decide to return to us again.

"For the past few days I have been necessarily absent from my office discharging one of my disagreeable trusts, visiting one of our prisons, investigating matters there, and listening to many long tales of woe. During this absence and on my return I find there are matters of such importance—in fact, some gentlemen are waiting for me now—that I will be compelled to make my visit here much shorter than I would like, or even to use the time you might in your generosity accord me. But, gentlemen, most heartily and cordially I welcome you to our city, and trust that the glory of the old Phi Delta Theta may never depart. I thank you."

Another interesting occurrence was the initiation into the Fraternity of Mr. N. O. Johnson, Superintendent of the State Institution for the Deaf and Dumb at Indianapolis, at the Thursday session of the convention. Mr. Johnson was a member of the V. M. I. chapter of the Kappa Sigma Kappa fraternity, whose Randolph-Macon, Richmond, V. M. I. and Washington and Lee chapters constituting the entire Order, merged into and continued as the Virginia Gamma, Delta, Epsilon, and Zeta chapters of Phi Delta Theta. He had signified his desire of assuming membership in the Fraternity of which his old society had become a part, and on Thursday he was initiated by a special committee, in the room adjoining the one where convention sessions were held. Following the initiation, the Convention listened to a very pleasant talk by the newly made Phi. He will be enrolled as a member of the V. M. I. Chapter.

Business sessions were held faithfully morning and afternoon up until Friday. On that day the morning session continued until one o'clock, when sine die adjournment was taken.

The Convention banquet was held at "The Denison," Wednesday night. Eight o'clock was the hour set for the beginning of this festive feature of our biennial meets, and the hour preceding was given over to vocal exercises in the reception parlors. The President had announced at the afternoon session that members would be expected to bring their yells with them to enliven the evening hours, and it was evident from 7:30 until 12:30 that his

advice had been followed. Indiana politics never stirred the air so vigorously as did the lungs of lusty Phis that night. Seats for one hundred and twenty banquetters had been provided in the ordinary, but the supply of Phis was so abundant that an "overflow" table had to be set in the north entrance, where a coterie of eight ran opposition to all the rest in manufacture of "yells," and in doing justice to the following menu provided by mine host of "The Denison":

Consomme en tasse.

Olives.

Salted Almonds.

Radishes.

Broiled Whitefish, a la Maitre d' Hotel. Potatoes, Hollandaise.

Tenderloin of Beef, with Mushrooms.

Asparagus, Cream Sauce.

Sweetbread Braise, Sauce Colbert. French Peas.

Roman Punch.

Broiled Plover on Toast, au Cresson. Lettuce and Tomatoes, Mayonnaise.

Strawberries, Ice Cream.

Fruit.

Cheese and Crackers.

Assorted Cake.

Coffee.

Cigars.

But long before the six C's—cream, cake, crackers, cheese, coffees and cigars—had been reached, the alphabet of yells was well toward completion, so that when the time came for the feast of reason, the boys were ready to let the flow of soul be confined to those to whom had been assigned the special toasts. Judge Wm. A. Woods, Wabash, 59, of the U. S. District Court, was Symposiarch. He said that in getting in the midst of all the boys again, he felt as if there was new wine in the old bottle, and it took him back to earlier days when he was a collegian as gay as any. He recalled the Purdue case as one in which he had been called to participate. One Hawley had joined X. He understood that this was the fraternity that in the lively competition of to-day had felt it necessary to draft a President in order to keep up with the

procession. He was glad that there was no necessity for that with his Order. Presidents and vice-presidents are indigenous to the soil of Phi Delta Theta. A dozen years ago this Hawley case came up. The student had joined X at another institution, and the Purdue President refused to admit him to that institution. The case got into court and finally came to the Supreme Court, on whose bench he, together with Judge Elliott of Ohio Alpha, was sitting. The bench decided that the college had no right to require the pledge, although he dissented from its views on some of the points at issue. He remembered his experience at Wabash in the fifties. The college had a strict anti-fraternity law, but that did not deter him from joining  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  as soon as he was invited. He was used to obeying the rules of the college in other respects, and he promptly violated this one on first opportunity to have the exception prove the rule. He hardly thought this would do in everything. He wouldn't steal in order to prove that it was wrong to be a thief, but he believes in being a fraternity man when you have a chance. It's a good thing for the man and a good thing for the college. In his days of sub rosa chapters. you could dabble in college politics without being known. Now the barbs know all about how it's being done: but he was glad to see that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  still kept at the forefront. The toast list ran-

JUDGE WILLIAM A. WOODS, Wabash, '59. "Symposiarch''
J. CLARK MOORE, Pennsylvania, '93, "What are We Here For?''
FRANK D. SWOPE, Hanover, '85, "The Girls''
ROBERT MORRISON, Miami, '49, "The Boys''
WALTER B. PALMER, Vanderbilt, '80, "The Convention''
E. L. WHITNEY, Ohio Wesleyan, '94, "Our Friends, the Enemy''
GEORGE BANTA, Indiana, '76, "The Old Settler's Story''

The response of Brother Morrison to "The Boys" took a happy vein in the introduction of a letter from Judge D.D. Banta, Indiana, '55, who sent his regrets for the banquet, and wrote of "the boys" of his day, and as the names were called off in the letter read by Brother Morrison, S. A. Hoover, Indiana, '56, gave some college days reminiscences of each and told their doings in later life. Robert Irwin Morrison, of the class of 1855, of the same chapter, told how he heard the song of the dying swan in 1856, while acting as Surveyor in the then Territory of Minnesota.

Taken all in all, with those present representing all generations in the Fraternity from founder down to latest initiate, it was the most successful banquet ever assembled in Phi Delta Theta.

The chief social event of the week took place Tuesday evening at The Denison parlors in the reception tendered visiting members by the Indianapolis alumni and their ladies. The rooms and halls were abundantly decorated with palms, potted plants and flowers, and the following acted as the reception committee: John S. Duncan and Miss Duncan, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Jenckes, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Elam, Mr. Laz Noble and Miss Harriet Noble, Mrs. and Miss Knippenberg, Mr. and Mrs. F. Rollin Kautz, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Sharpe, Mr. Hugh Th. Miller, Dr. and Mrs. John Edwin Brown, Columbus, O.; Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Ball, Montgomery, Ala.; Mr. F. D. Swope and Miss Swope, Louisville.

From nine until twelve the rooms were crowded and a most enjoyable time was had by the entire convention body of Phis and the large number of resident alumni and friends who were present. There were music and dancing, and refreshments were served. Fraternity colors were everywhere, and most of the delegates wore in addition their particular college colors.

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In the account of the Atlanta Convention in the SCROLL for December, 1891, mention is made of the very delightful visit to Mammoth Cave by the members of the Indiana delegation, F. D. Swope, Miss Swope, and Dr. and Mrs. Brown. A great deal of the sentiment of the Atlanta convention hung around this cave trip with those who were so fortunate to be of the party. The recollections of this occasion were happily recalled by the "Mammoth Cave Luncheon" at the Denison, Thursday noon, invitations for which were issued by Mrs. John Edwin Brown and Miss Berte Swope. Those who composed the original party in 1891 were present, as follows: Hugh Th. Miller, W. R. Brown, J. E. Brown, D. N. Marble, L. B. Probasco, F. A. Preston, W. C. Abbott, J. L. Mitchell, Jr., and F. D. Swope, besides the hostesses. W. B. Palmer was present as the guest of honor. One who had been the liveliest and jolliest of the old party was not there. Avery Williams more than a year ago transferred his membership to the "Chapter Grand" and was

with us only as a memory.

The table in the private dining room was prettily deco rated and the lights of the darkened room shone down on a most congenial assemblage. As luncheon was served, Frank Swope acted as Grand Invocator of Toasts and evoked the following sentiments—no one being spared from a response: Miller talked on "The Five-Dollar Theatre Crowd"; Walt Brown, "Lookout Mountain," from which it is said he was able to look into several other states beside the state of matrimony; J. E. Brown, "The Phi Monument, the Greatest Thing Underground"; Marble, "The Man Who Puns"; Probasco, "The Kodak Fiend"; Preston, "Hi, Yi, Yi, Yi"; Abbott, "The Phi Girls"; Mitchell, "Our Honored Guest," and Palmer, a response to this sentiment.

The talks were all apropos of the occasion and the event is one that is much prized in the recollections of Indianapolis. It is doubtful whether the same crowd, man for man, can ever be gotten together again at a convention, but even if not, these two reunions will outlast a great many other memories that are counted as

pleasant.

The Convention group was taken, after adjournment of the Thursday morning session, at the north front of the capitol. A large number of resident alumni were present, and with the numerous visitors make it the largest group of Phis ever put on a photographic plate. Copies of the group can be secured of Nicholson and Sons, Crawfordsville, Indiana, for \$1.50 each.

The Inter-State Oratorical Contest took place at English's Opera House, Thursday evening. Preceding this the Indianapolis Natural Gas Co. gave a natural gas exhibit, complimentary to visiting Phis. A large stand and pipe had been erected at the northwest corner of the capitol square, and here the visitors who came from sections where this product is unknown were shown "natural gas" powers and attractions. The display brought out a large number of people, among whom were many college men then in the city for the Oratorical Contest. The Phis gave a lock-step march and enlivened the occasion with the fraternity and numerous college yells. After-

ward, the members attended the contest at the opera house, but after some two hours of oratory, withdrew.

A great many yells and calls were elaborated during the several features of the Convention. The banquet was especially prolific in these, and they added much to the hilarity of the occasion. But for the best yells and best yellers, we think the credit must go to Alpha Province. This is the "syllabic aggregation" with which they exploded at frequent intervals:

"Os-kee-wow-wow, Skinny-wow-wow, Shinny-wow-wow, W-o-w,—Alpha Province!"

Miami, Purdue, and U. of Illinois were the most numerously represented chapters throughout the week, although De Pauw, Wabash and Indiana sent down large delegations for Thursday. The appearance made by these chapters in the Convention did them great credit, and the Fraternity can pride herself that "old mother Alpha," and these her "youngest offspring," stand so well for the alpha and omega of the Order.

The Indianapolis News of Wednesday evening said:

"There are merry times in the Denison Hotel. For the time being it has been converted into a college dormitory. Early this morning two New York Phis, rooming on the court of the third floor, and unwearied with last night's late hours, looking out on the court, gave the fraternity yell, and awoke even the porters with "Hi, yi, yi, yi, yi." A window across the court flew up, and a Tennessee man wanted to know if his neighbors had "used Pear's soap?" response came from an Indianian on the fourth floor, who hurled a cake of soap which "landed" in New York's headquarters. The soap-thrower did not draw back into his room quick enough, for a New Hampshire student on the fifth floor emptied the water pitcher on the chrysanthemum head of the Hoosier. By this time there were heads out at every window, and college yells, combined with fraternity whistles, commingled in the court. There was no sleep in the hotel after that, and even the other guests who arose startled forgave the college fellows after they got over the first mad spell."

Rumor is current that there were gay times "on the court" every morning, but this we cannot verify because we were not "on the court" ourselves. But the good temper of the Denison was not strained in any way, and

we do not doubt but that the management would be glad to have a fraternity convention every week if they could have as gentlemanly a set of men as composed this Phi convention. On the other hand, the management of the hotel was courtesy itself. The dining room service was first class—favors received at the hands of the head waiter in his efforts to arrange for the pleasure of Phi parties was such as to merit high appreciation.

The Northern Division of Delta Tau Delta met in Indianapolis the same week, and likewise had their head-quarters at the Denison. While few in numbers compared with Phis, they were a gentlemanly set of fellows, worthy of their fraternity, and evidently enjoyed a very successful reunion.

It would be invidious to make comparisons, for all our Indianapolis alumni strove in all ways that they could to make the week a pleasant one for visitors. The convention tells how well they succeeded. All of them made sacrifices in time, money and business. But it was evident that Brothers Hilton U. Brown, Hugh Miller and Jim Mitchell had no business but Phi Delta Theta from May 7th to 11th, while others came so near it that it could be said they gave up the whole week for us. Such whole-souled zeal as was shown by these Phis should be given mention.

The next convention is promised for Philadelphia, Thanksgiving week, 1896.

# LATE LETTERS FROM ALUMNI.

#### CLEVELAND.

The members of Ohio Gamma Alumni allowed the fifteenth of March to come and go this year without the usual celebration in the shape of a banquet. Some of us felt guilty and resolved to have our annual gathering, though too late for Alumni Day.

A committee on arrangements was appointed and notices were sent out to the members, informing them of an alumni dinner to be given at the Hollenden on Monday, April 23, 1894.



C. B. CAMPBELL, ILLINOIS ALPHA, 94.

From a membership of about thirty, the committee received responses from but thirteen; this number being still further reduced by the illness of our president, Bro. A. A. Stearns. At the hour of 6:30, a little band of "Loyal Phis" gathered about the famous "Round Table" at the Hollenden, and for full four hours we were "jolly

college boys" again.

In the absence of our President, Bro. Stearns, Vice President Bro. Chalfant presided. After an elegant repast, to which we all did full justice, the cigars were lighted and we proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted in the following selec-President, Rev. Charles L. Chalfant; Vice President and Reporter, Hubert H. Ward; Secretary and Treasurer, Dr. W. H. Merriam; Chaplain, Rev. John L. Roemer; Warden, John A. Thompson; Delegate to the National Convention, Prof. R. W. Deering; Alternate, Samuel E. Young. After appointing a committee consisting of Brothers Stearns, Martin and Thompson to make arrangements for the next dinner, we discussed methods for increasing the enthusiasm among the Cleveland Phis, and hope that the plans which were adopted may prove beneficial, so that another year we may have what was lacking this year—numbers. In enthusiasm our gathering was par excellence.

There were present two brothers who met with us for the first time, but when we adjourned we felt as though we had all been through college together, such is the

magic influence of the "True Blue."

Ohio Gamma Alumni sends greeting to all brother Phis, both in and out of college, and especially would she remember with her good wishes those brothers who are soon to leave the college halls for their various callings in life. May the memories of "college days" and "Phi Delta Theta" always be as pleasant and helpful to them as they have been to us.

In the words of Rip Van Winkle, "May you all live long and prosper. Yours in the Bond,

HUBERT H. WARD, Chapter Reporter.

### MINNEAPOLIS AND ST. PAUL.

The series of quarterly informal meetings which we mentioned in our letter to the April Scroll was begun with a most successful spread at the Nicollet on the evening of May 26th. We had forty-two members out, one of the largest reunions we have ever had, and we are go-

ing to try to have sixty out at our September meeting, to open up the boom for Minnesota Alpha's fall campaign.

The following notice from the daily papers will give a

good account of the meeting:

The first quarterly informal spread of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity occurred at the Nicollet House last night with an attendance of forty-two members from the active and alumni chapters. The occasion was a very happy one, as all such meetings should be when college men get together to revive the memories of college days. The Phi Delta Theta fraternity is especially proud of the fact that it has a membership which is not contented with a formal meeting once a year, but has introduced, and is carrying out successfully, an innovation in the way of quarterly meetings. Last night's spread was attended by men from all over the state, and was especially representative of men who have not met with the organization before. The Northwest is rapidly receiving members of this college Order from the East and they are with enthusiasm associating themselves with the local order.

At the meeting last night toasts were responded to by a number of the alumni and by several of the undergraduates. The members especially welcomed the Hon. J. B. Cotton, who came all the way from the Zenith city to identify himself with the chapter, and who made a rousing speech indicative of his affection for the Fraternity; Rev. William C. Covert, of St. Paul, who gave the boys some good advice under a humorous guise. Toasts were responded to also by J. H. Evans and E. C. Bisbee, of the active chapter, and by W. R. Brown, James Gray, W. H. Hallam and Prof. G. B. Frankforter, of the alumni.

The following is the Toast program in detail:

#### TOASTS.

# Song-"Vive Les Phis."

"The Fraternity, . . . . . James Gray, Minnesota A., '85

Phi Delta Theta's name, Be that the burden of our song, Love, length of days and fame To her belong.

Song-" United in the Bond."

"The Bond," . . . . Hon. J. B. Cotton, Michigan B, '86

The Sword and Shield, The White and Blue, Go forth, protect; Be just and true.

Song-" Our Cause Speeds on."

"Already theirs the victory,

As the just Fortune measures gain."

"Hut they fail not, the kinglier breed,
Who starry diadems attain."

Song-"A Thousand Years."

"The Alumni," . . . REV. W. C. COVERT, Indiana E., '85

"The garlands that we used to twine Have somehow wreathed again, Though laughing boys of auld lang syne Have changed to earnest men."

Song-" The Ladies Fair."

"Her face so faire, as flesh it seemed not,
But heavenly portraiet of bright angels' hue."

SONG-" Our William Goat."

"Sir William Goat," . . . OSCAR HALLAM, Wisconsin A., '87

To those who know thee not, No words can paint: And those who know thee, Know all words are faint.

The following gentlemen were present:

Active Members—Walter H. Sherburne, E. C. Bisbee, Jas. H. Evans, M. C. Perkins, Wm. A. Godward, Charles E. Adams, Herbert H. Crossett, Thomas Bradford Hartzell, Everhart P. Harding, Clarence Z. Brown, Harry F. Simmons, Erick Frank Lindeman, W. H. Condit, Robert E. Esterley, E. W. Mathews, Horace E. Peck, Earl Simpson, W. C. Leary.

From St. Paul—Harry Snyder, L. A. Straight, Rev. Wm. C. Covert, A. G. Briggs, Wm. F. Hunt, Oscar Hal-

lam, Wm. C. Reed, Chas. J. Eastman.

From Minneapolis—David F. Sampson, C. E. Morse, W. L. Murray, Wm. H. Hallam, Frank D. Larrabee, J. M. Anderson, Luther Twitchell, W. R. Brown, Jay W. Crane, G. B. Frankforter, James Gray.

From Duluth-Joseph B. Cotton.

From Chicago—Edward Junius Edwards.

One of the most pleasant features of the evening was the singing of fraternity songs. Much credit for this feature of the entertainment was due to the local chapter and to James G. Wallace, the chairman of the committee of arrangements.

## PRESCOTT, ARIZONA.

EDITOR SCROLL.—To some of our brothers this letter may seem like a voice out of the wilderness, down here in Arizona, but we are as loyal Phis as ever donned the Sword and Shield, and we can give as hearty a grip as our eastern fratres.

Mr. Editor, I take the liberty of dropping a few personals to you concerning brother Phis we have met in the northern part of the Territory, and while we have overlooked some very possibly, as they have no shields, we will soon bring them all into a Territorial organization, and then you may expect to hear from us as an organized body. Through the columns of the SCROLL, their old chaptermates and friends will be glad to hear from them again.

Our Judge of the Fourth District of Arizona and Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the Territory is a Missouri Alpha Phi, Columbia, Missouri; and though it is some years since he assisted at the orgies of initiation of the trembling "spiked" student, Judge Jno. J. Haw-

kins, of this city, is a true and loyal Phi.

At Kingman, Arizona, is located Mr. Wm. H. Lake, of Memphis, initiated at Virginia Alpha, Roanoke College, '76, and transferred to Virginia Epsilon at Virginia Military Institute. Mr. Lake is a mining man and broker, engaged in buying and selling ores. He has a warm feeling for all the old Phis of college days, and a hearty

welcome for any Phi.

Mr. F. W. Sisson, Illinois Delta, '84 (Knox College), has been located at Flagstaff, Arizona, for the past seven years. But seven years have not dimmed his love for old Phi Delta Theta, and he gives as hearty and cheerful a grip as our friend "Hayseed" would a handshake. Mr. Sisson is an official of the Arizona Lumber and Timber Company at Flagstaff; also of the Riordan Mercantile Co. there, and is also an officer in other firms.

We have two California Alphas here. Mr. N. A. Morford, of Phoenix, who has been the editor of the Phoenix Herald for a number of years, and also Secretary of Arizona under a recent administration. Mr. Morford is a prominent citizen of Phoenix and identified with its

interests. He writes this note concerning himself:

RICHARD S. STOCKTON, Esq., Prescott, Ariz.,

Dear Sir and Frater:—Nothing pleases me more than to hear that yourself and Judge Hawkins are "Phis."

Graduate of '76, University of California; taught school four years, then began the business of journalism in earnest, having dabbled in it somewhat previously. Became proprietor *Herald*, 1882 (*The Phoenix Daily Herald*); Secretary of the Territory 1892-93. Regent University of Arizona 1882-83, etc., etc. Still doing business at the old stand.

N. A. MORFORD.

At Flaggstaff we also find Mr. C. H. Edwards, a California Alpha Phi, operator for the Atlantic & Pacific at that place. Mr Edwards is quite a western boy and, of course, an enthusiast on California, but that does not interfere in the least with his national loyalty to the Sword and Shield.

There are some other Phis here, but we will "round them up" later, to use the phrase. One and all, we will extend a hearty welcome to any Phis who come our way.

And, incidentally, we wish to lift up our voice and assure you all that the Arizona of Apache torture, rampant cowboys, and frontier life is behind us, the Arizona Kicker to the contrary notwthstanding. And, by the way, an enterprising newspaper man of Tombstone has copyrighted that title, so that Arizona can no longer be maligned under the cloak of wit, but by thousands believed to be truth. In our leading towns of Phoenix, Prescott and Tucson, and throughout the Territory, is to be found fully the average of college men and cultured people, while public school attendance and scholarship average very high. A great many sons and daughters are sent to eastern and western institutions to be educated, and no longer do the sombrero and swagger stamp the new arrival as from Arizona.

As a matter of fact, the last three years have seen the public at large greatly enlightened as to our Territory. Thousands of tourists have passed through and capital

has largely invested here.

But in the minds of many "effete Easterners" there lingers a picture of Indian devils dancing gleefully about their tortured victim, while a circle of tarantulas and squirming centipedes hungrily eye the scene like birds of prey. Or, on Arizona streets they picture in their mind's eye a wild-eyed, dishevelled Yankee with a ten-foot stride, a bloodthirsty cowboy in hot pursuit, shooting off the sprinter's ears, boot-heels, or judiciously trimming his

hair with bullets, a facetious mob enjoying it, and a background of Gila monsters, scorpions and Indians to give color to the scene. The imagination of ignorance, how-

ever, supplies an excellent assortment of colors.

But, my dear friends from "deown East," we have a surprise for you. Stop off and visit us on your way across the continent, and, presto, behold the young giant, Arizona, of unlimited resources, just entering the vigor of active development, while you will be welcomed by energetic and intelligent citizens into beautiful homes, who are hewing from the block of natural wealth a splendid statue of another state, destined in a short time to stand proudly by her older sisters.

And in her development we trust that Phi Delta Theta, through her sons, will not be missing. As honored brothers throughout the country have been distinguished with State and National positions, we feel the force of

example great upon us.

Extending greeting to all Phis and brothers in the Bond, we are fraternally yours.

May 10, 1894.

RICHARD S. STOCKTON, Tennessee Alpha.

## A FLOWER DREAM.

'Tis not of thy fragrance I'm dreaming to-night. I behold not thy beauty so blushing and bright. In my vision a little white hand holds thy form, At the gate, in the glow of the sunset warm;

And brown eyes that shimmered as deep woodland pools, Looked up with a light which one's destiny rules.

And the flower that she gave told that story so old, Yet each fond word I hoarded as miser his gold.

Thy petals may wither, thy fragrance may die;
On the past's fondest thoughts I may linger and sigh:
Yet the bliss of that moment shall never depart,
But blossom unfading deep down in my heart.

DANA D. WALLACE, Dartmouth, '97

# EDITORIAL.

The subject of chapter houses is like Banquo's ghost,—it will not down. Do what we will, turn where we may, choose whatever fraternity we wish, we find this everlasting "chapter house" the principal theme. The Scroll has no desire to turn away from it. The subject is warm in the hearts of many of our chapters, and we would that their efforts in this line would kindle new zeal in those who have been lagging behind. We believe that they will. The college year just closing has been a notable one for us in chapter house acquisitions.

The Lehigh Chapter celebrated its seventh anniversary by entering its new home, acquired through the earnest work of the undergraduates and loyal alumni of Pennsylvania Eta. The possession of this home will still further advance the interests of the Fraternity at Lehigh, where this chapter has achieved such honorable distinction since its establishment in 1887. Since the day of its installation the Massachusetts Beta at Amherst, has occupied the Estev property, having leased it from its owner for a number of years. But for some time the chapter has felt that it had outgrown these quarters, which while comfortable and pleasant in every way, did not afford room for the various purposes needed by the chapter. And then again the frail tenure of a lease did not afford protection for the future. Accordingly a sharp lookout has been kept for the chance of a bona-fide home. The annual circular speaks of the preliminary steps taken toward the purchase of property, and these have been since followed up so that the title is vested in the chapter. The opening of the fall term will find Massachusetts Beta in her own home. Georgia Beta, one of the first chapters of the Fraternity to establish a chapter house fund, has determined to build at once, and work on the house has been begun. The chapter expects to be able to occupy the same by October. The house will not contain dormitories for the members, but merely parlors, reception rooms, library and the private hall for the esoteric work of the chapter. It will be the first fraternity house at Emory and in the State of Georgia, and our congratulations are extended to those who have so carefully watched and brought this enterprise to success.

At the commencement of Lombard University the Illinois Zeta will have the formal corner-stone exercises in connection with the building of her new home. With noteworthy energy this chapter has pushed its building scheme until this spring it was able to purchase a most desirable building site opposite the University grounds, and has now under course of construction, a house, the contract price of which is about \$4,000. This they expect to dedicate in the fall.

So the year 1893-94 has added to the Fraternity homes for four of its chapters. We know that there has been activity with others, and the promises are good for other work in the same line within the next two years. California Alpha will soon be in position where she can go to work on the long sought home.

Michigan Alpha, at Ann Arbor, has done good work in the past year, and if this is continued it will not be a matter of many sessions until it too will occupy a home owned by the Michigan Alpha Association of Phi Delta Theta. The Cornell chapter has its lot, and we believe that a fund for a home is growing at an encouraging rate. Speed the day when others can join the "Chapter House" Company.

FOR three or four years after the inauguration of the plan of issuing the March circular letter by the chapters, THE SCROLL published an annual review of them. The magazine was then not so cramped for space as now, and the plan being a new one, more general interest was taken in the exchange of letters among chapters. There was commendable effort to bring the letter to its most efficient level.

We regret that the same plan can not be followed yet,

in as much as such a review by instituting comparisons, would show certain chapters in what their letter is deficient and others what they are to be congratulated upon. The chapters have lacked the trustworthy model or guide, and with new committees each year, have been largely compelled to send out each year the product of hands just as inexperienced as those four or eight years back.

The publication of a Hand book (part of which is already in type) by The Scroll management, and the revision of our Constitution, with its code of statutes, convention rulings, and chapter forms, will overcome this lack of circular letter models, and supply many other useful formulae for the guidance of chapters in their regular work. Heretofore they have had to depend upon the Convention minutes and files of The Scroll to get the very things which should be compiled into one volume, which volume should always be at the ready convenience of all members as well as officers of chapters. The Scroll Hand-book will collect many of these essentials under one cover so that it will be found useful in all phases of chapter work.

In regard to the annual circular letter, we like the plan which, if we mistake not, has been used by the Amherst chapter. A desirable man is elected on the Circular Letter Committee, and is kept in service as long as he is in College. Say a man is elected in his Sophomore year, he serves three years, and there being three members of the committee, there are two old members with one new one to serve as editing committee each year. The experience of the members of the committee is useful, and with the additional aid of "model forms," ought to make possible better letters. We hope the chapters will give the plan their consideration and believe that they and their alumni will be the gainers thereby.

THE National Convention, spoken of elsewhere in this issue, at considerable length, was an undeniable success in every way, and we do not see how anyone there could

find cause for disappointment in regard to it. There was a large attendance from the chapters and an unusually large per cent. of alumni visitors. The business sessions were held with pleasant surroundings, were harmoniously conducted, and outside were supplemented by social functions that gave a spice that was just what was needed to round out the week.

Too much credit cannot be given to the brothers, who on short notice, took the convention arrangements in hand and made our entertainment so pleasant and our visit to Indianapolis so delightful. They did their work so nicely that we feel the Fraternity is in duty bound to say that they left nothing undone that would have added to the comfort and pleasure of their guests. The SCROLL therefore says it on behalf of the Fraternity.

The only matter for regret is that some few chapters were not represented by official delegates. For some of these there was, no doubt, good excuse; in the case of others the SCROLL would recommend a rigid inquiry into the failure to send a representative. A certain chapter, seemingly prosperous in every way, has not been represented at a convention for ten years. A delegate was promised for Indianapolis, but on Monday a telegram came saying the man had been called home by sickness in his family, and there was no one to take his place. Such contingency was unforseen, but we hold that in principle the chapter has been culpable. It is unfortunate that this and the other unrepresented chapters are denied the direct inspiration which comes from having a working member of the chapter in convention.

THE new officers of the Fraternity need no introduction to Phis or Phi chapters. They are already well known, as all have previously served the Fraternity in official positions and come to their present ones by a sort of "civil service promotion." It was not a convention in which General Council timber would have been hard to find, for the Fraternity had at its command many who

who would have done it honor in election to its most honorable executive board. But with unprecedented unanimity it made its choice and tendered all its elections by acclamation.

The new President, Hugh Th. Miller, is the first man to be honored with a third election to the Council; his Chapter, Indiana Gamma, is the first to have had two representatives serve as P. G. C.; and his State, Indiana, is the first to say it has had three Presidents of the Fraternity. We feel that the election of Brother Miller is just cause for mutual congratulations on the part of the Fraternity at large on one side and Indiana Phis on the other. Walter R. Brown, the new Secretary is a member of Minnesota Alpha, '89, the one to whose loyal interest we largely owe the present prosperous condition of our Minnesota chapter. He has made  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  a creed and Minnesota Alpha the especial object of his devotion. lection as Secretary was eminently a fitting one. Chairmanship of the Committee on Finance and Auditing. at our convention, is the most onerous and responsible of all appointments. At Atlanta and again at Indianapolis. this position was filled by Fred S. Ball, Ohio Zeta, '88, in such an able manner that his election as Treasurer was the "logical consequence" thereof. He has been an efficient worker in Province affairs ever since his graduation and location in the South, and no man in the Fraternity has a greater hold on its confidence than has this new officer. The duties of Historian of the Council were given for a second time to Brother Marble, who has been a worker. not only in our conventions, but one who has been ready to give part of the time of seven days in the week, and fifty-two weeks in the year to Phi Delta Theta interests. Under his direction chapter records and reports are being brought to a more perfect state, and his work will make that of future catalogue editors, much lighter.

We can promise that the Council elected at Indianapolis will hereafter be known as a working Council, and the record of its work will conserve to the highest and best interests of the Fraternity.

THE catalogue of the Fraternity, under preparation since 1888, was presented in completed book and report, and the convention settled on a satisfactory basis the financial problems of this enterprise which have been up before its last three assemblings. The preparation of this sixth edition entailed an enormous amount of labor, and the result is worthy of the editors. It is unfortunate that the volume lacks the names of more recent initiates, but owing to the delays to which the work was subject, the lists of the older chapters necessarily lack the initiates of the past two years. This however can be remedied at an early date by the issuance of a supplement.

As was expected, the duties which might be called those of a permanent catalogue editor, were assigned to the Historian of the General Council. The regular work of this office deals largely with records of changed alumni addresses, names and addresses of initiates and of affiliation transfers. With interleaved catalogues, blank books and scrap book in addition to form record books, a good catalogue can be kept that will be fairly up to date.

THE convention of 1898 will be a semi-centennial jubilee, and will be held at Oxford, Ohio, or a point sufficiently near that a part of the convention exercises can be held there.

A COMMITTEE on Constitutional Amendments and Revision was appointed to prepare a revision of this instrument in accordance with the suggestions of the April Scroll. It is proposed to reduce the constitution as nearly as possible to its original principles, and to codify proper statutes, laws and convention rulings. The former will be little subject to amendment. The statutes, which deal with matters of administration, can be amended by vote without disturbing the constitution.

This committee is directed to make a full printed report to the chapter at least six months prior to the

assembling of our next National Convention. In this way the proposed changes can be fully understood and discussed by the chapters, and definite action taken at the convention. This action promises to put our constitution on a level with our ritual. That is, where we could ask no better.

Welcome, Indiana Theta! The action of the convention was surely such as to leave no doubts in the minds of Purdue adherents, as to the high place in the esteem of the Fraternity which the members of the proposed chapter had gained. We congratulate the brothers upon the success of their long fought struggle for a place on the roll of the Fraternity. The end is worthy of the effort, and the effort has been made in a way that is surely a credit to the new Indiana Theta.

The editor of The Scroll is not unmindful of the confidence extended by the Convention, in calling him for a third time to the position which he holds. It is a gratification to feel that the work of the past four years has left a mellow enough feeling to have induced this indorsement of the work done, whether it was merited or not. For the future we can give no new promises. We can only hope that the love for the Fraternity with which we are animated, will guide us in the efforts put forth to make The Scroll an ideal representative of the Order, so that in it Phis can find the satisfaction which should be theirs, in reading the "official organ of the Fraternity."



# CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

## ALPHA PROVINCE.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

We are able to report a very successful winter term of solid society work. The literary programmes have been well carried out, and monotony has been avoided by the occasional introduction of original plays, under the supervision of Brother Cox. He proved himself an excellent stage manager, and gave us two very enjoyable evenings.

But. at this season, interest centers chiefly around athletics. In base ball we have not been very successful. We lost the first two league games at Williamstown, but are not wholly discouraged on that account, as we usually open the season with a brace of defeats by Williams.

In general athletics our outlook is somewhat uncertain; especially as the Massachusetts Institute of Technology has entered the league since last year, and will be represented by a strong team. Our thoroughly equipped athletic field gives us an advantage in training which we have never enjoyed before, and we hope to see its effect in excellent work by the team. The meet occurs Wednesday of this week. Of the thirty men entered by Dartmouth, seven are members of New Hampshire Alpha, several of whom are counted on as sure point-winners.

The question of postponing the "chinning" season till later in the fall term has been much agitated of late among the fraternities. It is generally felt that there has been undue haste in the pledging of men, from which all the societies have suffered more or less. But as yet, no practical and universally acceptable method of reform has been presented. Our policy will be to fall in with any plan that, in the opinion of the majority of the fraternities, will be an improvement on the present system.

The chapter is well represented in the commencement and classday programmes, but a fuller report of these honors can be given in our next letter.

Yours in the Bond,

Hanover, May 21, 1894.

KENT KNOWLTON.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

It is with pleasure that Vermont Alpha reports the continued prosperity of the Chapter and University. The old Museum building is being moved preparatory to the erection during the summer of the long promised Science Hall. This will make a decided improvement on University Place. The Museum will occupy the space between the President's house and the Mechanical buildings. An addition will be built to include a recitation room. The new domitories as well as the Science Hall are promised us this summer. With these new buildings the University will enter upon a new era of prosperity with greatly increased facilities.

May 1st has been established as "Founder's Day," it being the birthday of General Ira Allen, the founder and earliest benefactor of the University. The day was fittingly observed. In the evening a large number of the Alumni and friends of the University, together with the students, assembled to listen to an address by Rev. Dr. Byington, '52, of New York. The exercises were closed by the singing of the "Hymnus Eucharisticus" in Latin by the Glee Club, according to the Oxford custom. On Founder's Day also appeared the Junior Annual, the *Ariel*, which was "dedicated to the memory of General Ira Allen, the founder of the University of Vermont, by the class of '95."

The evening of April 7 will be long pleasantly remembered here, it being the occasion of the joint concert by the Glee and Banjo Clubs of Amherst College and the University of Vermont. The members of the Amherst Clubs were the guests of the students of the U. V. M. The concert was followed by a banquet tendered the Amherst Clubs, at which Brother Dunham was toastmaster and Brother Davis responded to the toast "College Days." Vermont Alpha gladly welcomed the four "brothers in the Bond" who were members of the Amherst Clubs, and endeavored in our humble way to make their stay here enjoyable. It is by these visits largely that the brothers are brought to realize the great benefits of the Fraternity.

The catalogues have been received and prove all that could be expected and more. One cannot realize until they carefully peruse the long list of members, the great breadth of our brotherhood. No member of the Fraternity can afford to be without a copy.

Brother Dunham has returned from the National Convention at Indianapolis, reporting a grand gathering of right loyal Phis, and a most successful convention. That the true Phi spirit pervaded the convention is evident from the enthusiasm of Brother Dunham. Vermont Alpha trusts that the next convention will be held in the East where the entire Chapter may be able to attend.

At the class banquet of the Freshman class, held at Rutland, Vt.,

Brother Lincoln was toastmaster and Brothers Doten, Allen and Kern responded to toasts. At the Sophomore banquet, held at Montreal, P. Q., Brother Sabin was toastmaster and Brothers Harvey and Cutter were on the programme for toasts.

In the recent elections Phi Delta Theta has not been forgotten. Brother Dalrymple has been elected President of the Y. M. C. A. for the coming year; Brother Bingham to the Ariel board of the class of '96 as First Assistant Editor; and the following brothers have been elected officers of the Justin S. Morrill Republican Club: Brother Davis, First Vice President; Brother Sabin, Secretary; Brother Bingham, member of Executive Committee. Brother Bingham was also one of three delegates to the National Convention of College Republican Clubs held at Syracuse.

Among the commencement appointments that have already been made are Brother Avery as commencement speaker, Brother Davis as one of the leaders, and Brothers Doten and Dalrymple as speakers from the floor, on the Junior Prize Debate.

Brother Dunham is taking his electives for this half year in the medical department.

With best wishes for all the brothers and chapters, I remain Yours in the Bond.

Burlington, May 19, 1894.

GEO. H. DALRYMPLE.

## MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

The life of the chapter during the winter has been very pleasant and healthy. The attention of the brothers has been largely directed towards the purchase of a chapter house. We are very confident now that our plans are to prove successful, and that next fall we shall be in a house owned by Massachusetts Beta. The house which we intend to buy is on a corner facing the common and adjoining the campus. Its situation is unexcelled by that of any fraternity house in town, and the house itself is admirably adapted to our purposes.

But while we have been so much interested in this subject we have not confined ourselves to this alone. Last term Bro. Weeks, '94, was elected to the Phi Beta Kappa Society, and at the beginning of this term Bros. Burnham and Fiske, '95, received the same honor. Upon the athletic team now in training for the New England Inter-Collegiate games which take place May 23d, at Worcester, we expect to be represented by Bros. St. John, '93, and Burnett, '97. On the Freshman base ball team Bro. Crary plays second base and Bro.

Rosa first base. Bro. Fiske has been elected treasurer of the college Y. M. C. A.

Near the end of last term Bro. Moses, '97, had the misfortune to break his leg. He has just returned to college, however, and is able to be about on crutches.

On July 4th the Amherst Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Clubs are to start upon a concert trip through England and Scotland. Bro. Staples, '92, will sing with the Glee Club, and Bro. Griffin, '97, will play on the Banjo and Mandolin Clubs. Bro. Leach, '92, and Bro. Warren, '95, are to spend the summer in Europe also. Bro. Weeks, '94, is our delegate to the convention now in session at Indianapolis, and we are anticipating with much pleasure his reports of the same.

On may 9th occurred our sixth annual anniversary banquet at the Amherst House. As guests of the evening there were present Bros. Prof. J. R. Stitlington Sterrett, Swift of Rhode Island Alpha, Case of Pennsylvania Delta, '83, Dean of Vermont Alpha, '90, and Hodder, Burrell, F. H. Smith and Staples of our own Alumni. The banquet was a very successful one, full of the spirit which characterises the fraternity everywhere. Massachusetts Beta was very glad to welcome to the chapter the brothers from other chapters.

Last winter a chapter of Phi Gamma Delta was formed at Amherst. Accordingly Massachusetts Beta is no longer the baby chapter in college.

We are looking forward to next year. It seems very certain that in our new house, with every brother earnest for the welfare of the chapter, and with entire unity among the brothers, we are entering upon a new period in our chapter history. We are anticipating this new life. The toasts at our banquet night before last served to remind us of the good in the past six years, and to urge us on to higher standards and attainments in the coming years. That Massachusetts Beta may live in the spirit of the Bond is our earnest wish.

Yours in Phi Delta Theta,

Amherst, May 11, 1894.

CHAS. AMOS ANDREWS.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have initiated Mr. E. H. Stratford, L. S., of Jersey City, N. J. It gives us great pleasure to introduce him to the general Fraternity as the second of the familly, who have allied themselves with New York Alpha, he being a brother of Bro. F. B. Stratford, '95.

We are now enjoying the luxury of eating in our own house. The advisability of the step has been the subject of discussion for several years past, but until this term has failed of realization. For our new scheme, for which we are indebted to Bro. P. J. Smith, we have procured the services of a down-town caterer to undertake the management of the whole affair, we paying him so much per capita, as we had formerly done to outside boarding-houses. It seems to be a very successful as well as an advantageous scheme.

In the shape of university contests, Cornell has added a new feature to its list, to inspire college spirit in the way of an intercollegiate debate.

The first contest of our history took place Friday evening, April 20th, between the University of Pennsylvania and Cornell. The question for debate was the Annexation of Hawaii. The affirmative was supported by the University of Pennsylvania, the negative by Cornell. The judges announced a victory for Pennsylvania. It was however, very close, the points standing sixty-six for Pennsylvania against sixty-five for Cornell. Following the debate, an informal reception was held for the visitors at the Hotel Alhambra.

The base-ball team seems anxious to keep up the record of last year, which was up to the standard of college teams. Bro. W. F. Smith, '97, is doing good work in the pitcher's box and has won every game in which he has participated.

The opening game of lacrosse took place Saturday, April 28, with Johns Hopkins; Cornell scoring six points, while Johns Hopkins failed to score at all. Bro. Purman, '95, made two out of the six points.

The last Military Hop of the year occurred Thursday, April 24th. Preceding the dancing, a most enjoyable concert of five numbers was rendered by the Cadet Band. Some eighty couples were present. Bro. T. S. Clark, '94, has been chairman of the hop committee for the year just ending.

On the 24th of February the annual alumni banquet was held. As most of our alumni reside at too great a distance to be present, there were few here. We were glad to have with us Bros. F. L. Dodgson, and H. H. Williams, '89, and Bro. W. D. Alexander, '93, from Rochester. It is earnestly to be hoped that more of our alumni will be able to attend in the future.

The decision of the General Council on the time of the National Convention was not altogether satisfactory to us, for the reason that it is almost impossible for any of us to leave our work in the middle of the term. We will send as our delegate a post-graduate, however, who has the well-being of the chapter at heart.

Yours in the Bond.

Ithaca, May 2, 1894.

M. A. SEWARD.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA COLLEGE.

Since our last chapter letter we have initiated two men of whom we are justly proud, and here introduce to the general Fraternity Frederick G. Goetz and William George Kilian, both of New York City. With the next number of the SCROLL we hope to introduce two more men. At the initiation of Bros. Goetz and Kilian, at Bro. Riederer's house, we had among us Bro. Batchelder from California, and it was one of the most enjoyable initiations we had this year.

Some short time ago, Bro. Franklin B. Ware, '94, was elected the leader of the Columbia College Banjo Club.

The principal topic of conversation among Columbia men for the past few weeks was the production of "Joan of Arc," all of last week. One of the Columbia men transcribed the opera into a musical extravaganza, and it was produced entirely by the members of the Columbia College Musical Society. It was produced at the Manhattan Athletic Club theatre, which was crowded to the last seat in the house, and became to be the talk of the town. It will be next produced at New Haven and then at Brooklyn. Its production is for the benefit of the athletic association. Bro. Franklin Backus Ware, as Court Poet of Charles VII., could not have been surpassed by any professional actor. Bros. W. Thyng, '95, and J. A. Matthews, '95, were among the men-at-arms, and also sing in the double quartet. Bro. Harry B. Mulliken, of Ann Arbor, Mich., again had a chance to present himself as centre of the football team, which was one of the most striking features of the play.

Our baseball team this year promises to develop itself into a very strong team. The team won two games out of four, during Easter week, on its Southern trip; defeated the General Theological Seminary at New York, and Princeton only beat them by a small score after a very exciting game.

The track team is hard at work, and we expect that it will make a very good showing in the intercollegiate games, and also the Columbia-Princeton games. Owing to the final examinations coming a week after our Convention in Indianapolis, I fear New York Delta will have to be represented by members of the alumni chapter.

Yours in the Bond,

New York, April 9, 1894.

EMIL J. RIEDERER.

NEW YORK Epsilon, Syracuse University.

Our delegate, W. W. Nichols, '94, has just returned from Indianapolis, bringing back to us an account of the very enthusiastic convention and of the many Phis he met there, thus giving to us a better conception of the strength of our Fraternity.

In general college affairs, I have but two events to chronicle: Our long expected chancellor, Dr. James R. Day, S. T. D., assumed the duties of his office at the beginning of the spring term, and we fondly hope that this event is but the forerunner of a greater development of Syracuse University.

The second course of lectures of the Hon. N. F. Graves Lectureship, was given in Crouse College Hall on April 24-27 and May 1-4, 1894, on the general subject, "Mexico." This course was given by the Rev. John W. Butler, D. D., of the city of Mexico.

In regard to chapter honors, Bro. Vernon was elected President of the Freshman class, and will thus make the address of welcome to the class of '98 at the Sophomore Banquet next fall. He is also a member of the 'Varsity baseball team and Captain of the '97 athletic team. In our local Field Day, May 18, Bro. Warren, '96, expects to win the hurdles, and Bro. Thayer, '97, will be in all of the dashes, as will Bro. O'Bryon, '96, in the bicycle events. The chapter has fitted up its tennis-court near the chapter house, and we expect to win the Inter-Fraternity championship during Commencement week, as we did last year.

Bro. B. Day Brown, ex-'85, has returned to college and will graduate with '94; beside Bro. Brown, the chapter will graduate Chas. W. Beadle, Geo. D. Coons and W. W. Nichols. We have had the pleasure of entertaining Bros. E. M. Sanford, '90, Professor at Cayuga Lake Military Academy, and J. B. Sanford, ex-'92, for a short time this term. During the Easter vacation, the members who remained in the city were pleased to be able to meet G. D. Codman, '94, of Pennsylvania Zeta, and F. P. Bingham, '96, of Vermont Alpha, who were in attendance at the National Convention of the College Republican Clubs. We are ever desirous of meeting all Phis who pass through Syracuse at any time during the college year.

But one event has occurred to mar the serenity of our course since my last letter. Just before the close of the winter session, a seemingly loyal and enthusiastic member of our chapter, a senior, George H. Bond, desired to be allowed to resign, giving, however, no definite reason for his contemplated action. As a result of the inquiry set on foot, we expelled George Hopkins Bond on April 3d, 1894. In about three weeks he was initiated by the Dekes, an action not in accordance with any principle of fraternity ethics and not supported by the opinion of the best chapters at Syracuse. This affair did not weaken the strength or spirit of the chapter, but rather, intensified the feeling of loyalty in every one of our active chapter, as we knew that this affair was not the result of any inherent weakness in the chapter or its members, but the consequences of underhanded work on a mind weak in its sense of honor and loyalty.

The chapter sends its most cordial thanks to those chapters that have sent us their college annuals, and we have gained much benefit from the perusal of the various chapter letters. Notice of any students intending to enter our university will be most gratefully received by the undersigned. Besides, we are especially desirous of hearing from our alumni, as they little know the inspiration given to the boys by each letter. With two men pledged and twelve men to return next fall, we expect to make a vigorous campaign and to uphold the honor and dignity of Phi Delta Theta in the proper manner.

With wishes for a pleasant vacation to all Phis, I am,

Your brother in the Bond,

Syracuse, May 17, 1894.

GUY H. BASKERVILLE.

### PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

Although we have been working pretty hard since our last letter was sent, we have added no new names to the chapter roll. However, the indications are that the work will not be in vain. We are sorry to announce that Bro. Dean has left college on account of ill health. He does not expect to return.

At the recent Lehigh-Lafayette baseball game we had the pleasure of meeting some of our Pennsylvania Eta brothers, and enjoyed a social chat with them. Bro. Kirkendall returned with the baseball team last night from the Southern trip. He reports a very pleasant time among the Southern collegians. The Junior Oratorical Contest will be held on May 21st. Phi Delta Theta will be represented by Bro. Hays.

A college dance will be given this evening under the auspices of the "Musical Association," in which a number of Phis hold prominent places. An enjoyable time is anticipated.

As this is the last letter for this collegiate year, the members of Pennsylvania Alpha join in wishing the Phis of sister chapters a pleasant summer vacation.

Yours in the Bond,

Easton, May 14, 1894.

Abijah Hays.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

The Phi Delta Theta men still maintain the high standing in the respective classes. No doubt we will receive the usual share of appointments for the coming Commencement. Bro. Hoick, of the Seminary, has been appointed one of the speakers from that institution. We expect some addition to our ranks from the preparatory department during the spring term. Our eighth annual letter is about to be issued. Many of these circular letters have been received from sister chapters. These exchanges of greetings tend to bind us closer to one another and give us a better knowledge of the condition of the Fraternity in general.

Since our last letter to the SCROLL we have initiated Bro. J. W. Ott, of the Freshman class, and a member of the Glee Club.

Yours in the Bond,

Gettysburg, March 26, 1894.

WALDO D. MAYNARD.

# PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

At the beginning of the spring term, another chapter house was deserted at Allegheny. Sigma Alpha Epsilon, for pecuniary and other reasons, have given up their house and are rooming at different places in the city and boarding in the college clubs. This leaves only one fraternity with a chapter house. Why this idea, which seems to be so popular in other colleges, does not thrive here is hard to say; yet there can be no doubt that the experience of fraternities here, so far, is against the chapter house.

Next week Dr. Oldham will deliver a series of lectures in the college chapel on Mission Work, and the following week will be the course by Dr. Frank Bristol of Chicago in the stone church. Arrangements have been made for the Battalion to go into camp at Conneaut Lake, June 4-11. The Battalion from Grove City college will be in camp there at the same time.

The base ball team has been chosen, and we are represented by Bro. Ellis, third base; Bro. Tipper, center field, and Bro. Wright, official scorer. Two games have been arranged with Hiram College for Decoration Day.

Our annual Pan-Hellenic banquet was held Monday evening, April 16th. Nearly every fraternity man in college was present. The spirit of the occasion ran high and eloquence extraordinary was displayed. The Pan-Hellenic yell, comprising the names of the different fraternities was: Pan! Pan!—Pan-Hellenic Pan!—Phi Psi, Phi Gam, Delta Tau—Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon—Rah for Allegheny!

Pennsylvania Delta was represented on the toast list by Bro. Jaynes on "The Co-Eds," and our reporter on "Pan-Hellenism."

The first Senior reception, given by our new President, Dr. Crawford, was held Thursday evening, April 19th, at the Doctor's residence on High street. Invitations were given to the members of the Senior class, the faculty, and a number of the prominent people of the town. The night was stormy, yet it detracted little from the pleasure of the evening, which will be long remembered by the class of '94.

We have lately organized a Tennis Club, and have the best court on the campus. The ladies are not admitted to the club, which is composed only of Phis; yet Phi girls are always invited to take part in the games.

Since our last letter Bros. O. R. Thomas and R. R. Ross have made us very pleasant visits.

Yours in the Bond,

Meadville, May 12, 1894.

ARTHUR STAPLES.

# PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter we have been the recipients of a large number of honors. Not the least of these was in the fact that, after several months of careful consideration Thos. West, '97, and H. Mont. Smith, '97, selected from the fraternities of the college, Phi Delta Theta as their choice. After the initiation the members of the chapter enjoyed a pleasant "set-up" with the new brothers.

In the many elections that have taken place in the college, Phis have been selected for a large number of the positions. Bro. C. Grant Cleaver will be Historian on Class Day, and Bro. Walter J. McNeil, Chaplain. Two of the leading offices in the Athletic Association are filled by our brothers. Bro. J. Frey Gilroy, '95, is Presi-

dent, and Bro. J. A. Eldon, '96, is Manager of the foot ball team of next season. And one of our prospective brothers in the Collegiate Preparatory School is a manager of in-door athletics. Bro. E. L. Earp, '95, has been elected President of the Y. M. C. A. for the ensuing year. Bro. C. E. Zeigler, '96, carried off the honors in the Belles Lettres—Sophomore oratorical contest.

Our fraternity life has been very pleasant of late. While the visits from our alumni have not been so frequent as in past years, and we have missed their inspiring enthusiasm, the relations of the members are very cordial, and we feel ourselves united in a true brotherhood.

The chapter is making an endeavor to secure the entire paraphernalia for the initiatory ceremonies. The committee was instructed to solicit aid from the alumni brothers. We, of course, expected the "hard times" to prevent a liberal response, yet we anticipate the early perfection of our plans.

The old location of our parlors is to be abandoned in the near future for beautiful quarters in the new post office building. The rooms are to be conformed to the plans of the chapter, and it is our purpose to fit them up as prettily as possible.

Before college closes the fraternity will be the guests of Bro. C. E. Zeigler at his home in the beautiful mountains near Carlisle. Because of their recollections of the trip taken there last spring, the members are looking forward with most eager anticipations to a splended outing.

Fraternally,

Carlisle, May 16, 1894.

WALTER G. McNeil.

### BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

The only event of importance in local fraternity affairs since our last letter is the recent establishment here of a chapter of Theta Nu Epsilon. It has a membership of eight, confined almost exclusively to men who will not return next year.

We have been fortunate in receiving visits from brothers on the various visiting teams, but none have left with us a pleasanter remembrance than Bros. Boyle and Talbott of Virginia Gamma. It was mainly owing to the efficient work of Boyle as captain and short stop, and of Talbott behind the bat that our team went down before them.

It was likewise an occasion of great pleasure when we were enabled to grasp the hand of Bro. Sledd of Virginia Gamma, who

represented Randolph-Macon in the Virginia Inter-Collegiate Oratorical contest, held in the University chapel on the night of the 11th of May. Bro. Sledd won second place in the contest. At the same time we welcomed back to us with unmixed pleasure Judge Lyman Chalkley, one of the early members of our chapter.

Our chapter feels highly honored by the selection of one of its number, Bro. M. H. Guerrant, to guide and direct the affairs of Beta Province as her next President.

We have been recognized in all college affairs this term, and think that we have won an enviable place among the leaders. Bro. Taylor has been elected President of the Kentucky Club; this is quite an honor as the club is composed of the leading men in the University, and its presidency has never before been bestowed upon a Freshman. The swell german that was given under his management is a fitting witness to the manner in which he discharged this trust.

Bro. Armat is Secretary of the Graham Lee Literary Society, and would have made the crew had not sickness prevented. Bro. Walker has been appointed to assist in the management of the business affairs of the Southern Collegian. Bro. Yonts has been elected as final orator by his society as its representative in the June contest. Bros. Taylor and McBryde represent us on the base ball team. Bro. McBryde is Secretary of the Washington Literary Society. Bros. Taylor and McBryde serve on two of the committees in charge of the final ball, the greatest social event of the year.

Our delegate to the Indianapolis convention has returned in almost enthusiastic frame of mind, and we hope that by the use of the pointers gained there we can materially better our chapter.

Yours in the Bond,

Lexington, May 14, 1894.

R. J. McBryde, Jr.

#### KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

We lose four men by graduation this term, yet, the outlook for the ensuing year is very bright. We have three pledged men and it is quite probable that ten old members will return. In a recent contest held by the Blue Grass Declamatory League, Brother Willis won third prize, a medal.

In athletics Central University has carried everything so far. Last fall we were the winners of the Inter-Collegiate foot ball champion-ship, and this spring we have met with like success in base ball. Our baseball team, among the members of which are Brothers C. T. Taylor and Willis, deserves special credit for having played eleven

games this season without experiencing a single defeat. Field Day comes off the 30th of this month, and our chances for winning are good.

A glance over the passing year, noting the many pleasures we have experienced as a band of Phis, gives us the keenest pleasure, and it is with much regret that some of us are so soon to sever our connection with the chapter as active members.

Yours fraternally,

Richmond, May 21, 1894.

S. H. CAROTHERS.

### GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

In the recent contest for speaker's places, we came out, as usual, with more than our share of honors. In the Sophomore class we will be represented at Commencement by Brother Pittman, in the Junior by Brother Orr, who won two places, and in the Senior a place was awarded to your correspondent. In addition to these honors, Bro. Orr has been elected President of the Y. M. C. A. for next year, and Bro. Pittman Secretary. During Commencement we expect to win many more honors. Our boys are always anxious to do anything for the glory of Phi Delta Theta.

We have now fourteen members in the chapter. Of these four will Graduate on June 20, leaving us ten to begin with next term. Those graduating are Bros. Beckett, Dorsey, Kline and Yow. Two of these will probably return. With these invincibles, next year cannot but be a prosperous one for Georgia Alpha.

Athletics in the University are commanding great attention. A series of games was played among the classes, and two games with outside teams. In the game with the town nine we were victorious by a good score. With Madison we were defeated in a close and pretty game. Next Saturday we play Furman University here in Athens. Our Field Day, on April 27, was a great success. A large crowd was present and the exercises were excellent. Several records were broken.

With best wishes for all Phis.

Yours in the Bond,

Athens, May 7, 1894.

S. B. Yow.

# GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Although it has been some time since we have been represented by a letter in the SCROLL, yet we have been among the most prosperous of chapters at Mercer. While our initiations have not been many, yet those we have added are most worthy to be known as Phis. The year has been a prosperous one with the college, and we all feel that we are to be congratulated upon our reorganized Faculty.

We have initiated four men, as follows: Eric C. Gambrell, '94, son of our distinguished President; William D. Sanford, '97; Morrison Rogers, '97, and Nat A. Harris, '97, both of Macon. We will lose by graduation, Brothers W. S. Keese, E. C. Gambrell and H. E. Coates, from all of whom we expect to hear good reports in the future.

College interest is centered in the base ball team now, on which we are represented by Brothers W. D. and J. H. Sanford, as pitcher and catcher respectively. Our chief game so far has been with the Milledgeville cadets, whom we defeated by a score of 11 to 10.

With best wishes for a pleasant summer to all Phis.

Yours in the Bond, EDWARD R. OSBORNE.

# TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Owing to a series of accidents which prevented our baseball team from showing anything like its full strength at any time, the present season has not been remarkable for victories. Great interest is being manifested in the contests of Field Day by other colleges, there being over twenty entries from Sewanee, Cumberland, Southwestern Presbyterian and University of Nashville. In spite of this fact, Vanderbilt hopes to secure a fair proportion of the medals.

The chapter was represented in the convention at Indianapolis by Bro. J. H. DeWitt. Bro. Paul M. Jones also attended as President of Gamma Province. Both of these brothers returned with enthusiastic accounts of the satisfactory work of the convention and the reception tendered them by the Indiana Phis. The chapter is well pleased with the selection of officers for the next two years.

Final examinations—the occasion of much anxiety to the students—began about the first of June, and the session closes June 20. Judging from the chapter's high standard of scholarship, we have no fear as to the result of the examinations. On the whole, the past

year has been one of unprecedented prosperity for the university. The attendance has surpassed that of any previous year, and there have been improvements in every line.

Yours in the Bond,

Nashville, May 15, 1894.

HENRY J. LIVINGSTON, JR.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

After a long winter holiday, consisting of three months, our university has once more become the scene of activity.

However, all things considered, hard times, etc., has opened this term with brilliant prospects, for not only has there been a larger attendance in the academic department than for several years, but also the schools of Medicine and Law so lately established begin work under very favorable auspices.

Our football team of last term was one of which we have just cause to be proud. For it was only after a hard-fought battle (the score of first half being 0-0, and of game, 10-0) that we had to yield to Vanderbilt's superior weight, thus giving to them the championship of Tennessee, Kentucky and Alabama.

Bro. Abner Green, of Mississippi, was elected business manager of the baseball team of '94, and Bro. Henry Soaper was chosen captain of the team.

Tennessee Beta takes pleasure in announcing the initiation of Bros. Merville Arnold Reese of Greenville, Tenn., and Harrison Moores Whitaker, of Tyler, Texas; both of whom were advanced from the grammar school in December last. Our membership is now ten. We regret. Bros. Wilson and Soaper will not return this year. Bro. Wilson is attending the Philadelphia Art Schools, and Bro. Soaper is managing a large tobacco factory in his home, Henderson, Ky.

The chapter is now working with enthusiasm and we can assure our brothers and alumni that the reputation  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has always maintained for intellectual attainments and high moral qualities will be upheld in the future as it has been in the past.

Yours in the Bond,

Sewanee, April 3, 1894.

DAN C. BUNTIN.

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Since the last issue of the SCROLL the membership of Alabama Beta has been increased by one—B. B. Harrison, of Selma, Ala. We now number twenty-five, including post-graduates.

We take great pride in announcing the record that Alabama Beta has made during the year, and we congratulate ourselves on the result of our work.

In the military department we hold the ranking offices both among the commissioned and non-commissioned officers. We have the presidency of the senior class. In football and all other athletic sport, in text-book grades and oratory, in the "fair" society of Auburn, and in internal Fraternity; in all these we have reached the "top" and stand without a peer.

It was due to the untiring efforts of Bro. Riggs, manager of the football team, that the Auburn yell was raised so many times last fall on victorious football fields. On Field Day, May 1st, there were six medals awarded. Three may be seen now, pinned below the Sword and Shield. Bros. Dunham and Peevey were our medal athletes, Dunham winning medal for best all-round athlete. In the Sophomore contest in declamation, although we did not as last year capture the medal, still we feel that our representative, B. Sparks Jackson, did great honor to the Fraternity, taking second place. At Commencement we will have our full share of men on the Honor and speakers' lists, and we will also have a full delegation at the Commencement ball, at which we anticipate seeing a large number of Alumni Phis.

Instead of a Phi ball, it will be a Phi moonlight picnic this year, where we will endeavor to show our appreciation of the winsome smiles and winning manners of the Auburn goddesses.

We will lose by graduation five men. As yet we do not know whether any of them will return or not next year for post-graduate work. The Reporter will be back as manager of the football team.

Wishing a pleasant vacation to all the boys and a happy reunion next session to all the chapters, we remain,

Yours in the Bond.

Auburn, May 6, 1894.

P. P. McKeown.

# **DELTA PROVINCE.**

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

We approach the close of the present session with feelings of great anticipation and regret. Never in the history of the chapter has a more brotherly feeling existed among its members, and it is not without sorrow that we contemplate the coming separation. No club in the University is more popular and held in higher esteem in

social circles and among other Fraternities than  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . Our number is neither too large nor too small, but just right to make our association with each other pleasant and profitable.

Since our last letter we have added to our membership Bro. Garnet Logan Jackson of Oxford, whom we take great pleasure in introducing to the Phi world. He is the son of a retired and wealthy merchant of this place, and belonged to the local O. B. Fraternity. We had a hard fight and won a great victory over our sister fraternities, and in him we feel that we have a jewel worthy of the Order.

The gymnasium of the University has been refitted with improved and modern apparatus, and a competent instructor employed. The work in this, as in the literary and law departments, has been highly satisfactory this year. Our foot ball team came in for a season of victory with leading college teams and athletic associations of the South, in which our Fraternity was creditably represented by Bros. Lockard and Bourdeaux.

We learn with regret that Bro. C. H. Tebault, Jr., has tendered his resignation as President of our Province, as his services in that capacity have been most efficient and satisfactory. We hope that the causes which made this step necessary shall soon be removed that he may again enter upon the duties of the office he filled so admirably.

Fraternally yours,

Oxford, February 10, 1894.

F. M. Southworth.

# LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

For the past few months Tulane Fraternities have been deeply interested in pan-hellenism, and a movement has been made to organize a permanent Pan-Hellenic Association. But nothing has yet been done. Two of the principal objects aimed at by the association are, first, securing grounds for chapter houses at the new University site, and second, the formation of an Inter-Fraternity agreement, placing restrictions on the time of pledging men after entering the University.

New Tulane is speedily progressing. Three of the buildings are practically completed, and there is little doubt but the University will make its big move by the fall. The buildings are situated on an extensive and beautiful campus opposite Auderbon Park, and rise with a pleasing view of the broad Mississsppi river and the fertile Louisiana meadows beyond. All in all, the site is everything that could be desired.

Athletics are on a boom. A remarkable victory was won at Tuscaloosa on May 4. Tulane sent a team to take part in the University of Alabama's spring games. Out of eleven events, this team won eight—all they went in for. Our games took place on April 28. Some of the records made were very fine, indeed. Bro. Lewis won a gold medal for running broad jump.

We are eagerly looking forward to the coming convention. It should do a great deal toward stirring up chapter spirit and making fraternity feeling strong and lasting.

New Orleans, May 6, 1894.

S. S. PRENTISS, JR.

# TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

The present session closes June 20, and on that day our entire chapter graduates, all five of us being Seniors. What to do next year is a pretty serious question with us just now. Our chapter, the oldest in the University, must not die for lack of members. We hope some of our under-graduate Phis who are not here now, will return next session. In case they should not, however, we older members will still try to keep the Phi banner unfurled at the U. of T., even if some of us are compelled to return for a short time next session and initiate new material. We would ask the earnest cooperation of all our Phi brothers.

We are sorry to say that Texas Beta will not be represented at the National Convention of Phis, but her heart will be with the many brothers who are there gathered together, and her best wishes are tendered them in advance. May some of the spirit there engendered be communicated to our chapter and incite us to greater efforts for our Fraternity.

The present session has been a very marked one in the history of the University in several respects. In athletics, our foot ball team made a splendid record, winning every game. The old system of grading and of honors has been done away with. Our new catalogues are much ahead of previous ones. Dr. Wagner, chairman for some ten years, has resigned, and Bro. Miller of the Law Department has been elected to that position. Last, but not least, the first Annual of the University of Texas will soon be out. On the whole, our Institution is moving onward, and it behooves us to exert ourselves to the utmost to keep our chapter in line with the onward movement.

Fraternally yours,

Austin, May 5, 1894.

GEO. W. HAMLETT, JR.

TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter Texas Gamma has initiated Brother M. P. Holmes, '97. Brother Clement has returned home, and Brother Strather has entered the University again.

Phi Delta Theta is prominently represented here in all of the organizations. Out of nine members of the *Monthly* staff, four are Phis. Our men have nearly all secured places to contest for the different medals and honors at commencement, and we hope to be able to report our usual success in winning them.

We have recently enjoyed visits from some of our alumni. It is always a pleasure and an inspiration to have them with us.

The prospects for Texas Gamma were never brighter than at present. We have thirteen loyal brothers, nice chapter rooms, and a large stock of enthusiasm, and we expect to do some good work for Phi Delta Theta.

Though the convention will be held some distance from Texas, yet we will have a delegate there.

Yours in the Bond,

Georgetown, April 16, 1894.

C. A. WILCOX.

# **EPSILON PROVINCE.**

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Beta has experienced one of the most notable events in her history since our last letter. On April 7, Brothers Busby and Shawkey were initiated. A full account of the banquet which followed may be found in the annual letter from our chapter.

The delegates just returned from the National Convention report a pleasant and profitable time.

Since our last communication Bro. Keen has been elected to represent his society on the local oratorical contest next fall and F. M. Kline, one of our pledged men, has been appointed captain of the ball team. W. A. Jones, another of our pledged men, is a member of the ball team. Our fraternity nine has been victorious in the one game played, and we hope to win others.

Delaware, May 12, 1894.

S. A. KEEN, JR.

# OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

Although our chapter roll numbers sixteen at present, we are beginning to realize that it will be necessary for us to pin the colors on some more men in order to maintain our present numerical strength for the coming year, as we lose three men by graduation, and the prospects are that three or four under-graduates will not return. We have already spiked two men whom we are assured will make loyal members and will bring honors to the chapter in the future.

We have been pleased to have present with us at a number of meetings this term our alumni, Bros. Tinker and Welch, and Bro. Beery, who dropped in at our last meeting. The chapter extends to all brothers a hearty welcome into our midst at any time.

Bros. Foster and McCaughey visited Ohio Beta a few weeks ago, and were present at one of the initiations. They were very much pleased by the manner in which they were received and entertained by the members of our sister chapter.

Bro. McCune, our delegate to the National Convention gave an interesting account before the chapter at its last meeting of what he saw and of what was done at the convention. He was very favorably impressed by the genial appearance of the representatives from all parts of the Union. Bros. Ralph and Frank Super accompanied Bro. McCune to the convention.

The remains of Mrs. Corinne Super Stine, who died at Indianapolis, May 1, were brought to Athens for interment. The funeral services were held at the residence of the parents of the deceased, May 4, Dr. Gunsaulus of Armour Institute officiating. The deceased was a wife of Bro. Stine, professor in Armour Institute, and a sister of Bros. Ralph and Frank Super.

As was reported in a former letter, we have three men to represent the chapter in the annual contest of the literary societies on the evening of June 25. Everything now points to a Phi victory.

We are looking forward to a very pleasant commencement. As usual our banquet will be held after the contest—the place not yet decided upon. We desire to have as many alumni present as possible to participate in the festivities of the evening.

Yours in Φì—κκια,

Athens, May 26, 1894.

J. W. BOTHWELL.

#### Indiana Epsilon, Hanover College.

Since our February communication, very little has transpired in Fraternity circles which is of much moment. It has been rumored that there will be important changes made in the Faculty at the next meeting of the Trustees.

On the baseball team Phi Delta Theta is represented by four men; in the literary societies we have both secretaries. We were repre-

sented on the Sophomore and Freshman division of the "Voris Prize Contest" in the person of Bro. Litson. Since our last letter, Bro. Roy Brown left college to take up a business position offered him.

At our annual banquet on March 15, we entertained in as sumptuous a manner as possible our loyal and devoted friends of the fair sex, whose labors in our behalf have been freely given. We can close this letter by saying that this has been a successful year for Indiana Epsilon, though we have lost during the year several men, we have succeeded in initiating others, and close the year with eight men and three prospective ones.

Hanover, May 14, 1894.

W. B. SNYDER.

# Indiana Theta, Purdue University.

The twelve Phis who attended the National Convention will look back on the event as the birth of an enthusiasm never before dreamed of. They are already looking forward to the fall of '96.

The Phi world is richer by five strong men who have recently been initiated into this chapter. They are: Ernest A. Richie, '95; Robert S. Miller, '95; Herman P. Andresen, '96, Warren E. Moore, '97, and Louis G. Raymond, '97.

One of the events of the year is the Senior Banquet, and it is considered the duty of every freshman and junior to endeavor to break it up. In an attempt to kidnap one of the "toasters," four of the juniors were arrested and held on assault and battery. They were ultimately fined and censured.

The Sigma Chis recently held a province convention under the auspices of the Delta Delta chapter. There were about six or seven visiting delegates in attendance.

Yours in the Bond.

La Fayette, May 14, 1894.

R. B. FLATHER.

# MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

On Friday, March 30th, occurred the Junior Hop, the most important social event of the year in Ann Arbor. It was our pleasure to entertain on that occasion a party of lady friends who were our guests for the night of the hop and the two days following. A house party on Saturday evening helped to make the time pass most pleasantly.

A musical festival is to be held here during the latter part of the present week, and will be a rare treat to lovers of music. The Boston

Festival Orchestra will be here, together with a number of prominent soloists.

The baseball team starts tomorrow for a trip through the East, where they will play the following colleges: Oberlin, University of Vermont, Dartmouth, Harvard, Brown, Princeton, and Cornell. The Southern and Western trip, taken during the spring vacation, was very successful and resulted in one defeat, the only one out of nine games played this season.

Bro. Geo. K. McMullen represented us at the convention and reports having had a very enjoyable time.

Ann Arbor, May 17, 1894.

Yours fraternally, ALLEN W. WOLCOTT.

#### MICHIGAN GAMMA. HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

On the evening of March 17th, we gave our annual "Alumni Day" reception at our parlors. All of our resident and several visiting alumni were present. Many letters of regret, full of Phi enthusiasm, were read. We think that the observance of this day affords one of the best possible means of keeping our alumni in close sympathy with the chapter.

The long expected catalogue has at last made its appearance. It is a volume of which the fraternity may well be proud. Too much credit cannot be given the editors who have worked so long and faithfully among perplexing difficulties, to bring it to its successful completion.

On the 17th of April, Bro. John Curtin Newcomer, '91, and Miss Celeste Bracket (Kappa Kappa Gamma) were married at the home of the bride at Harper's Ferry, West Virginia. The happy couple have located at Cambria, Mich., where the groom is pastor of the Methodist Church.

Bro. M. T. Loomis, who was Michigan Beta's delegate to the National Convention, is spending his vacation in this city, the guest of Bro. Chas. Alvord and other Phi Delta Theta friends. We are also enjoying a visit from Bro. S. E. Kelley, who was compelled to leave school a year ago on account of his health.

Bro. B. F. Green was our delegate to the convention. Michigan Gamma is well pleased with the amendments proposed and the work done at the convention.

On the class-day programme Bro. B. F. Green is one of the few seniors who appear. Bro. H. S. Myers delivers the under-graduate address on this occasion.

We are represented on the society anniversary programme by Bro. F. P. Wells from the Alpha Kappa Phi Society; Bro. H. S. Myers from the Theadelphic, and your correspondent from Amphictyon Society.

In the recent appointment of officers for the military companies Bro. B. F. Green was appointed Captain and Bro. J. I. Bricker First Lieutenant of Co. B. We hold quite a large per cent of the non-commissioned officers also.

We have initiated four men of the class of '97, this year, and in them considered that we have secured men who will ever be an honor to Phi Delta Theta.

We are about to close a very prosperous and successful year in all lines of college work, and our prospects for the future were never brighter.

Yours in the Bond,

Hillsdale, May 14, 1894.

GEO. W. GREEN.

#### ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Commencement season at Northwestern has already begun. The commencement exercises of the Medical and Theological, Dental and Pharmaceutical Schools have already occurred.

The commencement exercises of the Law School and the College of Liberal Arts will occur at the Auditorium in Chicago, June 14th.

Northwestern won the debate against University of Michigan, held at Ann Arbor, April 6th. Bro. C. B. Campbell, '94, was one of Northwestern's debaters. Bro. Campbell has since been appointed one of the Kirk prize contestants, but has resigned because of lack of time to prepare for it. Bro. C. D. Reimers was our delegate to Indianapolis.

Wednesday, May 9th, Northwestern and Chicago played a very close game of base ball. At the close of the ninth inning the score was 2 to 2. Neither side raised the score until the twelfth inning, and then Northwestern made a tally and won the game.

We were visited recently by Bros. W. A. Curtis and Frank Sweet of Wisconsin Alpha and Province President Walter Brown of Minneapolis.

Bro. C. B. Campbell has recently been offered the principalship of schools in a town in Northern Illinois at \$1,200 per year, but has not yet accepted.

Yours in the Bond.

Evanston, May 12, 1894.

D. D. CANFIELD.

# ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Base ball is the ever present topic this term; an unusual amount of interest has been awakened by a schedule of class games. Quite a number of good players have been developed among the lower classmen; this is very necessary for six of this season's team graduate this year. We are represented on the different class teams by eleven men from which number we expect to select a team to play the nines from the other fraternities. Bro. Tunnicliff has been kept "at home" for the past three weeks by a severe strain which he received in one of the games.

We have again enlarged our ranks by the initiation of Robert Le Roy Reiley, '97, of Wapello, Iowa.

We greatly enjoyed a reading given by Bro. Eugene Field on Monday evening, May 21. Mr. Field was suffering from a severe headache, and returned to Chicago immediately after the entertainment. He will return for a short visit during commencement week, at which time Illinois Delta expects to give a "stag" banquet in his honor.

Bro. Walter Williams is at Yale this term studying foot ball tactics; he will return next fall to captain the eleven. Bro. Hipsley has returned and seems a more loyal Phi than ever before, if that is possible. Bro. Tunnicliff appears upon the men's declamation contest again this year. Bro. Fleming has been elected manager of the foot ball team for next year, and Bro. Holland Vice President of the Athletic Association.

Bro. Townsend returned from Indianapolis very tired, but very enthusiastic. He reported a most glorious time. Such a convention is truly one of the events of a college life-time; we will surely send a much larger delegation to Philadelphia.

We are sorry not to have a chapter at the University of Chicago, feeling that it is a step backward to refuse one of our country's largest institutions.

Yours fraternally,

Galesburg, May 28, 1894.

HUBERT RAY HOLLAND.

ILLINOIS EPSILON, ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The two Epsilon men who were at the convention were greatly pleased with the work of that body and the delightful time furnished by our Indiana brothers. Our chapter offers hearty congratulations to all the new officers and believe they are well chosen.

Since our last SCROLL Bro. Ewing has departed for Belgium, where he will be the guest of his father, Bro. J. S. Ewing, U. S. Minister to Belgium, for a year at least. The chapter gave him a pleasant farewell party, which was one of the best of the season.

Of the commencement speakers in the law department we are represented by Bros. Whitmer and Cleary, and Bro. Probasco is Historian of the Senior class of Letters and Science. We have the pleasure of introducing to the Phi's Bro. J. A. McKee, '96, who was initiated in April. Bro. Stanley Sutton, Illinois Alpha, '91, has entered law and will be with us next year. His wife is an enthusiastic member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Whe have had a pleasant call from Bro. Robert Walker, Ohio Delta, '84, who expects to call on us frequently. As commencement approaches we expect to gather in some new material. Phi Delta Theta will take eight degrees this year, or as many as the other fraternities combined.

The announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Katharine Rinehart to Lieut. L. M. Prince, a Phi from the Wesleyan. The marriage will occur in the fall. The business management of the college paper, which will be published by the students next year, has been tendered to a Phi.

With best wishes for Phi Delta Theta, in the Bond, Bloomington, May 19, 1894. W. B. MERRILL.

# ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

In this, our last letter for this year, the principal point is our chapter house, of which we have so long talked. Affairs are now coming to some definite point, and before another school year opens we hope to have it open for use. The excavating is done and the foundation will soon be in, so we are more encouraged.

We feel that this has been a prosperous and eventful year. Our delegate to the convention, Bro. Olmstead, brings back accounts that make us feel more and more what we missed by not being there.

We have had a good chapter this year; it has numbered sixteen, and a man who has for a long time been loyal to Phi Delta Theta, although on the outside, will be initiated soon, so next term will open with a good chapter.

Now, before saying good-bye to the SCROLL, we must say that Phi Delta Theta, through the four years of our school life has been the source of our true happiness, and has aided materially in bringing about a love and respect for fellow beings.

We now say *adieu*, and while our institution is not of the largest, we beg of you to notice that it is not always the largest that does the best work.

Yours in the Bond,

Galesburg, May 21, 1894.

BERT P. SMITH.

#### ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

With this semester closes the most brilliant year in the history of the University of Illinois.

With the accession of Dr. A. S. Draper, the newly appointed President opens a new era in the history of the University. Dr. Draper is a man of great executive ability and of national reputation in the educational world, having held for a number of years the position of Superintendent of Public Instruction of the State of New York. All the educational bodies in the State unite in commending his appointment.

Bro. Johnson, who is now assistant registrar at Stanford University, has been appointed assistant to the State entomologist at the University.

Bros. Piatt and Bruner, the professors of Romance Languages, left for Europe Saturday last, where they will spend the summer in study in their special line of work.

Eight of our number attended the convention at Indianapolis, and were very much impressed with the extent and greatness of the organization to which we have been so lately admitted.

Bros. Harms and Duffy have been elected to the Shield and Trident, the honorary Senior Fraternity.

Our base ball team has returned from their Eastern trip on which they won three out of five games. Bro. Frees, who is playing center field, leads the team in batting and fielding. At the recent athletic election, Bro. Hamilton was elected President, Bro. Harms base ball manager, and Bro. Chester one of the board of directors, for the ensuing year.

Under the skillful captaining of Bro. Weedman, track athletics have reached their highest development here. At the preliminary field day all but one of the University records were broken. At the Western Inter-Collegiate Field Day, held at St. Louis, May 26, the University won the championship easily, Bro. Weedman winning the 220 yard hurdles and the running broad jump. On the evening of May 25 a reception was tendered to the Phis by the young ladies of Champaign. The rooms were artistically decorated in white and blue and tables were set in the rear rooms. After lunch was served, dancing was indulged in, and it was a late hour when the festivities ceased. Since our last letter the following were initiated: Fred Slater, '94; R. Y. Maxon, '95; F. Whittemore, '96; H. E. Frees, '96: G. A. Barr, '97; J. A. Holden, '97, and have also pledged two

members of the preparatory class, who will greatly assist us in spiking Freshmen next fall. We received a very enjoyable visit from Bro. Reimers of Illinois Alpha on his return from Indianapolis.

We will lose four men by graduation this year, but as the other fraternities lose seven or eight we will be in an unusually strong condition to begin work next fall.

Yours in  $\phi_l$ —— $\kappa_{Fla}$ ,

Frank H. Hamilton.

Champaign, May 26, 1894.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Affairs at the University of Wisconsin are more than usually interesting this spring. Everything seems to be on the boom, and more especially in athletics. This spring marks an era in that department. The dedication of the new gymnasium and armory, one of the finest structures of its kind in the country, took place during the last week, and was a most brilliant affair. The celebration began on Thursday and lasted two days. On Thursday evening the Madison Choral Union, assisted in the solo parts by several well known artists from Chicago, rendered Handel's sacred masterpiece. The Oratorio of the Messiah. An audience of about two thousand was in attendance, and the efforts of the singers were very highly appreciated. After this, on Friday morning, the real celebration began. All the students in the various departments of the University formed in line, headed by the University battalion and the Governor's Guards, on the upper campus, and from there marched down to the lower campus, where they were reviewed by Governor Peck and his staff. After the review, speeches were made by Gov. Peck, President Adams of the University, Regent Chenoweth, and Judge Seaman of the United States Court. After this followed the University regatta. In the afternoon the base ball team met the Iowa nine and defeated them by a score of ten to five. Friday evening the Athletic Ball was This was the most brilliant social function ever held in Madison, about three hundred couples participating. Everybody enjoyed themselves immensely. All moneys taken in during the celebration went to the Athletic Association, which organization is on a firm financial footing at the present time.

At the end of the present term we vacate the house we now occupy, and in the fall we take possession of another one which is located three doors from here. We have leased the house for one year, after which time we hope to have one of our own. We will take our meals in the new house. This will at least make it seem

more home-like than our present quarters. The house has room for fifteen men, and has three good sized parlors, besides the large dining room. It is situated near Lake Mendota, and an excellent view of that magnificent sheet of water may be had from it.

At the opening of the fall term twelve men will return. We consider this a good working number and expect to capture our share of the eligible men. We have two pledged men who will enter the University in the fall, besides we have prospects of getting at least six others. If we succeed in getting them all we will be on excellent footing again.

During this term Bros. Simpson and Davis took the State bar examination and were both successful. They are now full fledged lawyers, but have not as yet hung out their shingles. They intend to do that shortly.

Bro. Sweet reports having an elegant time at the convention. He however, upon returning, looked a little the worse for wear. The chapter is prosperous, and extends good wishes to the whole fraternity.

Yours in the Bond,

Madison, May 26, 1894.

F. A. WHEELIHAN.

MISSOURI ALPHA, MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY.

Nearly all the contests are over now. In the Shakesperian contest, Bro. Gug A. Thompson won first place easily. The Declamatory contest took place April 28, and Bros. Groves and Cooper respectively received second and third prizes.

In Athletics, M. S. U. has not done very much. The base ball team has organized with Bro. Anderson as catcher, and Bro. Jacks as first baseman. We defeated Westminster in two hotly contested games. Bros. Anderson and Jacks carried off the laurels in both games. These are all the games so far arranged. The Field Day sports will come off soon.

Annual letters have been received from thirty-five chapters. A great many have been behind time to an extraordinary degree. Howall report the Fraternity in a thriving condition, holding its own in every instance, and in a great many cases far in the lead.

Long before this letter has reached its destination the Inter-State Oratorical Association will meet and decide the contest. Brother Harry B. Walker is President of this Association. Mr. J. P. Wilfley, as was predicted by us last issue, and who is one of the boys

applying for a chapter from Central College, won the Inter-Collegiate Contest, and has the honor of representing Missouri. Success to him.

Commencement week is rolling around upon us, and all the Fraternities in Missouri's "Athens" are preparing to celebrate that gala week in great style. We open up the week on Monday night, June 4, with a grand ball, followed by the Betas, Sigma Nus, in the order named, closing with a magnificent alumni ball on Thursday night. Columbia has gay times that week, and visitors here leave never to forget the impressions received during their stay.

Missouri Alpha has been greatly strengthened the past month by the return of Brother Ed. M. Watson, '90, to the ranks as an active member. Brother Watson, at the earnest solicitation of his father, has left a splendid position in Fort Worth, Texas, on the *News* of that place, where he was city editor, and has entered M. S. U. in the Law Department. Brother Watson is one of the hardest workers Alpha ever had, and we are to be congratulated upon his return.

The convention will have met before this issue comes out. We wish it all the success in the world, and hope that future Phi Delt conventions will continue proportionally to increase in attendance and enthusiasm. I am

Yours in the Bond,

Columbia, May 8, 1894.

C. R. MACFARLANE.

# MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Our delegate to the National Convention, Bro. E. C. Henderson, has just returned and reports a most successful convention. His enthusiastic account of the proceedings and report of the excellent condition of the Fraternity have more firmly convinced us, if such could be possible, that Phi Delta Theta is the Fraternity par excellence.

Our chapter has been striving to do her share toward promoting Phi interests in Westminster, and, although rather unsuccessful so far as prizes go, yet is in fine condition. After a thorough consideration of the matter, a chapter house was deemed impractical, at least for the present, and efforts were directed toward fitting up chapter rooms. Some time ago appeals were made to the alumni for aid and a liberal response met with. Since that time additions have been made to our rooms until at present we have the finest Fraternity rooms in the College.

The chapter recently enjoyed the pleasure of a visit from F. S. Brockman, Tennessee Alpha, '90. We congratulate Tennessee Alpha upon having such an enthusiastic alumnus. It is not strange

that she holds such a high position in the Fraternity, if all her men are as able and loyal as Bro. Brockman.

Quite a number of Phis from this place attended the M. S. U.-Westminster ball game at Columbia, and remained to the Shake-spearean Contest and were rewarded by seeing Bro. Guy A. Thompson, of Missouri Alpha, carry the white and blue to victory. The return game of ball here was also attended by several members of Missouri Alpha. These inter-chapter visits have become quite frequent, and aid very materially in strengthening the ties of fellowship between the two chapters.

Owing to a resolution passed by the Board of Trustees at their meeting last June, recommending that the fraternity banquets be discontinued, we will not have our annual banquet this year. This is the first action of any kind ever taken by the Board in regard to fraternities, and it is felt to be a most unjust one toward them.

Before this letter is published the active membership of the Reporter will be severed. After a backward glance over the past four years' connection with the Fraternity, the bright hours spent in chapter meetings and the strong ties of friendship framed, it seems that his loyalty to grand old Phi Delta Theta could never die, and it is only in this belief that he lays down the pen.

Fraternally yours,

Fulton, May 15, 1894.

W. H. FORSYTHE.

# IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Since our last letter matters have been moving quietly, yet satisfactorily, with Iowa Beta. One man of the class of '97 is pledged to join us on his return next fall; also, we hear that Bros. Converse and Pierce, and possibly Mills, will return next year. Bro. McCaffrey, who has been inactive for several months is also active now.

The prospects of the foot ball team which Bro. Bremner manages (who by the way has just been elected delegate by the S. U. I. Republican Club, to the National Republican Convention at Denver, held during the summer) are exceedingly bright. Bro. Allen was, also, recently elected as one of the debaters in the inter-society contest to be held next winter here. We have several important positions in the Athletic Association, and one contestant, Bro. Aldrich, in the 16 pound hammer throw in the Inter-Collegiate Field Day to be held in Chicago. Although we lose several excellent men in June, we think our prospects for the coming year are unusually bright, and we are already planning on some hard work.

. Preparations are already made for our commencement ball, to which we have invited a number of our alumni, and which we intend to make a memorable occasion. Wishing all of the chapters the best of success, I am, in behalf of Iowa Beta,

Yours in the Bond,

Iowa City, May 20, 1894.

G. W. LAWRENCE.

# KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

The closing weeks of school are not marked by great activity among the fraternities except in a social way. An attempt was made to have a series of inter-fraternity base ball games, but only three have been played, and owing to the shortness of time before commencement, the remainder of the schedule is not likely to be carried out. The Phi Delt-Sigma Nu game was easily won by the former—score 15 to 6.

April 14, Bro. V. L. Kellogg arrived from Leipsic, where he has been doing work in entomology, under Luckhart. He will leave in August for Leland Stanford, where he will be Associate Professor of Entomology. Bro. Bradford, of Topeka, paid us a short visit last week. He will return to school next year.

The Seniors of the University will this spring give an original play instead of the usual Class Day exercises. The play is entitled "A College Comedy," and is the work of the combined talent of the class. The commencement arrangements are fully completed. Our chapter will be represented by two men, Bro. Higgins on the commencement program of the Law School, and Bro. O'Bryon on the commencement program of the School of Arts.

The copies of the catalogue brought from the convention were eagerly sought by the members of the chapter. The book met with hearty expressions of satisfaction.

Yours in the Bond,

Lawrence, May 20, 1894.

EDWARD O'BRYON.

# CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Since our last letter to the SCROLL we have taken into the fold Bro. Lewis Parsons Hobart, of the class of '97. This brings our number of Freshmen up to nine, the largest number we have ever had in one class.

On April 14, we gave our third annual tug-boat party, and were fortunate in having an almost perfect day. The party, including our

lady friends, alumni, visiting Phis and some of the Faculty of the University, numbered 132, and nothing whatever occurred to mar the full enjoyment of the day.

A short time ago a party of ten of our young lady students organized a chapter of Gamma Phi Beta. Another event of interest to the Greek world was the opening of the new Beta Theta Pi House on April 28. The fraternities in Berkeley are all in a prosperous condition, and most of them have building funds started. We ourselves have already about \$1,500, and are increasing it rapidly, and during the present summer expect to raise enough to buy a lot and start on our house. We have several plans and specifications of chapter houses drawn up, and others are in progress.

With this issue of the SCROLL the present reporter bids adieu to active chapter life. The reporter for the next collegiate year is Wm. Nathaniel Friend, '96.

Yours in the Bond.

Berkeley, May 10, 1894.

FRANK S. BOGGS.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD JR. UNIVERSITY.

During the week following Easter, the daily routine of hard work seems lightened a little at Stanford, by the numerous social events which then take place.

On the sixth of April, California Beta had the pleasure of giving a reception to a large number of friends in honor of Bro. Benjamin Harrison. The Fraternity were assisted in receiving the guests by President and Mrs. Jordan and Mrs. McKee, who met them in one of the parlors draped for the occasion in blue and white, while elsewhere the decorations consisted of potted palms, roses and Easter lilies. The services of an orchestra and caterers from San Francisco were secured for the evening. We enjoyed having with us a number of our brothers from California Alpha who did much in making the evening pleasant.

The Junior hop at Stanford is always regarded as the greatest general social event of the year, but the class of '95 has been the first to have a day set apart for them as Junior day. There were literary exercises in the morning, an original farce in the afternoon, and the hop in the evening was by far the most elaborate event the University has yet witnessed.

"The Stanford Quad," our first annual will be ready for distribution next week. 'Tis said that it is a very creditable production, the art work being especially commended. The annual debate between the University of California and Stanford took place in April, and Stanford was again the winner. This victory was especially gratifying to us for Bro. William Doherty was one of the three speakers chosen to represent our University.

The Fraternity have given up their lease of Lauro Hall, which has for three years been their home, and arrangements are being made to have a chapter house built in Palo Alto during the summer.

Yours Fraternally,

Palo Alto, May 5, 1894.

CHARLES C. HILL.

# JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY.

#### THE HOOSIER POET.

I.

Ah! Mr. Riley, you're the man fo' me!
Give us yer hand! But there, I hain't a doubt,
Yer don't jes' recollec' me; thet's, without
Yer memory's good. But I'm the man, yer see,
Thet you I hev writ about in poetry.
Yes, I'm the man who likes. "long about
Knee-deep in June." or so, to jes' git out
An' "sprawl out len'thway" 'neath an apple tree.
Yer bet I do! An' Mr. Riley, say!
Who told you thet the roses 'bove our door
Wuz climbin' in thet good, old-fashioned way?
An' thet the sunshine on the entry floor
Wuz dappled with their shadders? It's true ez day,
An' thet's what makes me wonder more an' more.

II.

It's mighty strange! yer must hev lived, I guess,
Around here when a boy. But after all,
For the life uv me, I can't seem to recall
A feller by your name. An' yit no less
I know thet your "old swimmin'-lole" is jes'
Down yonder in the parster by the wall
Where the path "to old Aunt Mary's" seems to crawl
Among the cat-tails and the water-cress.
And yer know old William Leacham? Put it there!
He's ben my nex'-door neighbor forty year.
An' ef two Hoosier-farmer friends may dare
To offer you the wish uv hearts sincere,—
Oh, Mr. Riley! may you never fare
Beyond the reach of Hoosier friendship dear!
EDWIN O. GROVER, Dartmouth, '94.

# INITIATES.

# COLLEGE YEAR-1893-1894.

# MAINE ALPHA.

'97. De Lafayette Flint, Augusta, Me.

'97. Fred Albert Roberts, Waterboro, Me.

Herbert Lewis Swan, Calais, Me. '97.

'97. Walter Francis Titcomb, Houlton, Me.

# NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA.

.97. Benjamin Franklin Adams, Hinsdale, N. H.

Arthur Avery Bacon, Medford, Mass.

,97, '97, Edward Percy Bailey, Hinsdale, N. H.

Lewis Harvey Blanchard, Peacham, Vt. '97.

'97. Arthur Winfield Day, Brooklyn, N. Y. '97, Franklin Ernest Heald, Brattleboro, Vt.

'97, Arthur Francis O'Malley, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

'97. Carl Taylor Richards, Hinsdale, N. H.

'97, John Otis Sibley, Orange, Mass.

'97. Arthur Parker Smith, Peterboro, N. H.

Hubert McCobb Thyng, New Hampton, N. H. '97.

'97. Dana Dudley Wallace, Brooklyn, N. Y.

'97. Roy Joslyn Ward, Johnson, Vt.

# Affiliate :

Henry Winter Jackson, '95, Maine Alpha, West Boylston, Mass.

# VERMONT ALPHA.

'95, Wilfred Farr Daggett, Bristol, Vt.

'97. Edwin Brown Allen, Brimfield, Mass.

Leonard Smith Doten, Burlington, Vt. '87,

'97. Franklin Reynolds Fairington, Brandon, Vt. '97. Lawrence Barnes Haywaid, Burlington, Vt.

'97.

Fred Kinney Jackson, Barr, Vt. Walter Pope Kern, Burlington, Vt. '97.

'97. Frederick Fuller Lincoln, Malone, N. Y.

#### Affiliate:

Charles Gardner Winslow, '92, Massachusetts Beta, Brandon, Vt.

# MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA.

'97. Robert Fuller Denison, Cleveland Ohio.

Gilbert Earle Treat, Auburn, N. Y. '97.

# MASSACHUSETTS BETA.

- '97, Fred Phillips Brown, Haverhill, Mass.
- '97, Henry Fountaine Burdon, Boston, Mass.
- '97, John Everett Burnette, Putnam, Conn.
- '97, Edward Joseph Danforth, Philadelphia, Pa,
- '97, Albert Clinton Griffin, Haverhill, Mass.
- '97, Roy Hermans, Corning, N. Y.
- '97, Henry Monroe Moses, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- '97, Raymond Vail Ingersoll, Corning, N. Y.
- '97, Alexander Elting Rosa, Milford, Del.

# Affiliates :

Walter Hays Coles, '97, Ohio Delta, Troy, Ohio. Miner Dunham Crary, '97, Pennsylvania Delta, Sheffield, Pa.

# RHODE ISLAND ALPHA.

- '97, Howard Bowen Briggs, Providence, R I.
- '97, Paul Revere Bullard, Waltham, Mass.
- '97, Clarence Bertram Gay, Providence, R. I.
- '97, Howard Frost King, Thompsonville, Conn.
- '97, Charles Ervin Lewis, Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.
- '97, Arthur Milton McCrillis, Providence, R. I.
- 97, Francis Augustus Rugg, Perkinsville, Vt.
- 97, Howard Mason Van Gelder, Catskill, N. Y.
- '97, Frank Rowland Wheeler, Mystic, Conn.
- '97, Charles Ernest White, Bellows Falls, Vt.

# NEW YORK ALPHA.

- '94, Charles Bliven Mason, Utica, N. Y.
- '94, Robert Barber Goodman, Chicago, Ill.
- '96, Jay Tyler Hunter, Peoria, Ill.
- '96, Herman Seelye Ward, Louisville, Ky.
- '96, Ossian Bay Ward, Louisville, Ky.
- '97, Willard Frank Smith, Lee, Mass.
- '97, William Buxton Newton, Yarmouth, Me.

# Affiliate:

George Frederick Gebhardt, '97, Illinois Delta, Salt Lake City, Utah.

# New York Beta.

- '96, Lynn Mason Scofield, Norfolk, Neb.
- '96, Glen Mason Scofield, Norfolk, Neb.
- '96, Earle Willoughby Sayles, Watertown, N. Y.
- '97, Henry Parsons Willis, Hornellsville, N. Y.

# NEW YORK DELTA.

- '95, Charles Seth Boardman, New York, N. Y.
- '95, Ernest Goldbacker, New York, N. Y.
- '95, Elias Galley Brown, New York, N. Y.
- '97, Herbert Hunt Morrison, New York, N. Y.
- '97, William George Kilian, New York, N. Y.
- '97, Frederick Arthur Goetze, Jr., New York, N. Y.

# Affiliates:

- George Philip Bryant, '95, New Hampshire Alpha, New York, N. Y.
- Arthur Thomas McCormick, '96, Virginia Beta, Bowling Green, Ky.

# NEW YORK EPSILON.

- '97, John Carl Thayer, Trenton, N. Y.
- '97, Charles Edwin Cooney, Syracuse, N. Y.
- '97, Wildridge Henry Gorman, Ogdensburg, N. Y.
- '97, Elliott Earnest Vernon, Syracuse, N. Y.

# PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA.

- '96, William Kincaid Foster, Pittsburg, Pa.
- '97. Howard Furniss Smith, Martin's Ferry, Ohio.
- '97, Allen Thurman Selby, Martin's Ferry, Ohio.
- '97, John Stewart Annan, Emmitsburg, Md.

#### Affiliate:

Lynn Mather Saxton, '97, Pennsylvania Epsilon, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

# PENNSYLVANIA BETA.

- '94, John Super English, Harrisburg, Pa.
- '95, Waldo Dietz Maynard, Hanover, Pa.
- '95, George Hunner Éckels, Shippensburg, Pa.
- '96, David Julian Forney, Gettysburg, Pa.
- '96, John Elmer Weisenhelder, Hanover, Pa.
- '97, John William Ott, Rocky Ridge, Md.

# PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA.

- '97, Henry Woods Weirich, Washington, Pa.
- '97, David Glenn Moore, Washington, Pa.
- '97, Walter Alexander Thompson, Pittsburg, Pa.
- '97, Erwin Schmertz Kerr, Pittsburg, Pa.
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Pages overcrowded by other departments have compelled the omission of "Personals" and "Items of Interest" from this number. No one regrets this more than the Scroll management. Beginning with Volume XIX, we shall enforce the rule as to date on which Chapter Letters must be received in order to be published, and shall more than heretofore, prune letters of superfluous matter, in order to make room for these departments. The interest of our Alumni demands the regular appearance of "Personals, while the department of "Items of Interest" furnishes news demanded by the active Chapters. The problem of publishing anything like a fair per cent. of the available matter which we should like to give our readers is one incapable of solution, with the space at our command. The authorized size of the THE SCROLL is 80 pages This volume contains over 520 pages, or an per issue. average of over 104 pages per issue, and yet we have had to cut and drop to keep within these limits. The Convention minutes will appear with the October Scroll.

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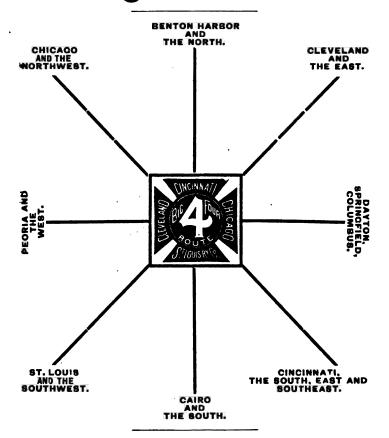
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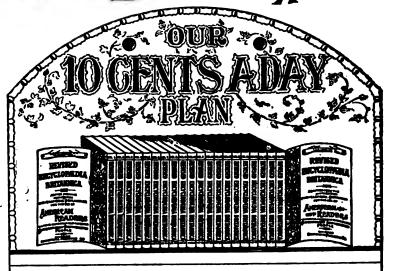
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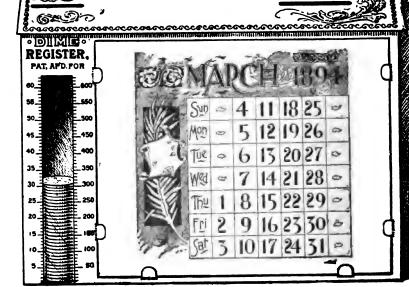
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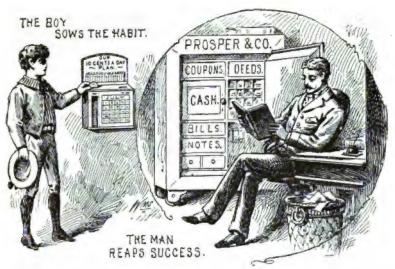
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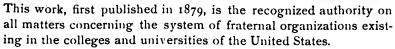


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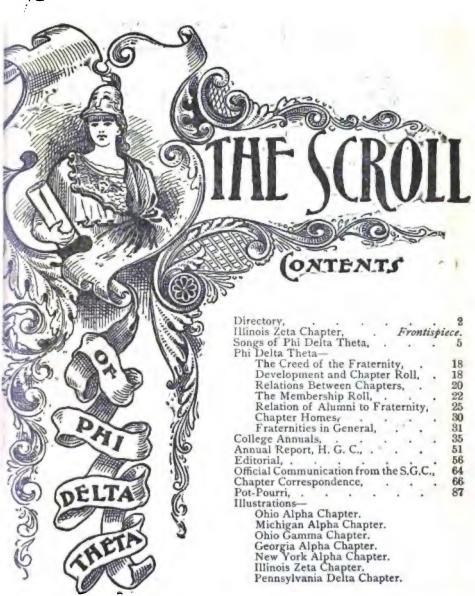
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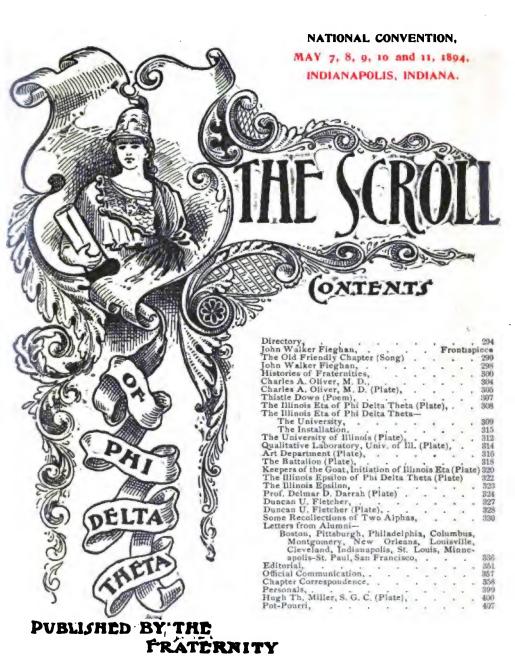
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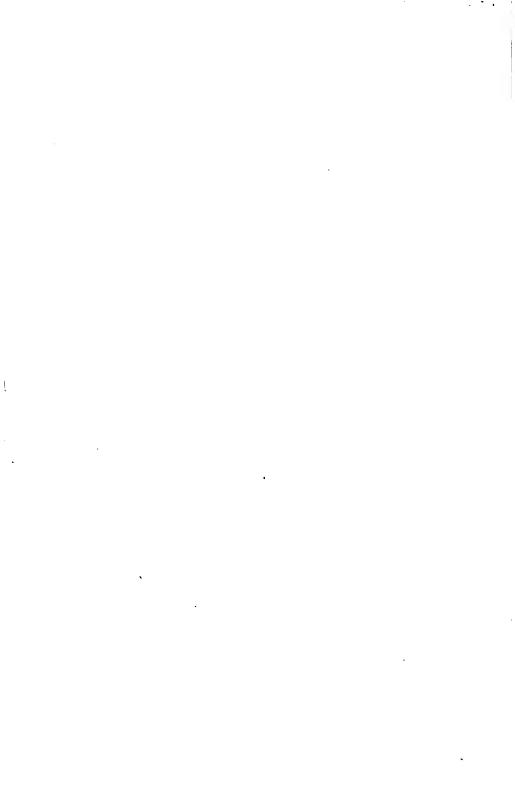
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